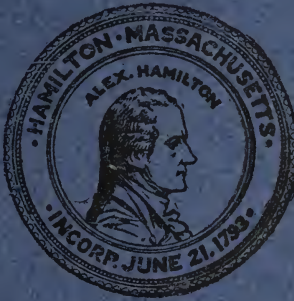


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LIST OF OFFICERS Elected and Appointed

Selectmen

JONATHAN LAMSON, Chairman
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS GEORGE E. SMITH

Overseers of Public Welfare

ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS, Chairman
GEORGE E. SMITH JONATHAN LAMSON

Board of Health

GEORGE E. SMITH, Chairman
JONATHAN LAMSON ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS

Moderator

OLIVER WOLCOTT

Town Clerk

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON

Treasurer

ANNIE E. WOODBURY

Tax Collector

CHARLES W. APPLETON

Surveyor of Highways

CHARLES E. WHIPPLE

Assessors

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman
Term expires 1929
GEORGE E. SAFFORD JESSE S. MANN
Term expires 1931 Term expires 1930

Tree Warden

HARRY R. MCGREGOR

Trustees Public Library

ROBERT B. WALSH, Chairman

Term expires 1930

ARTHUR W. CHANDLER EDWARD A. UNDERHILL

Term expires 1931

Term expires 1929

School Committee

ROBERT ROBERTSON, JR., Chairman

Term expires 1930

CLARISSA E. READY

LAWRENCE G. BUSH

Term expires 1929

Term expires 1931

Cemetery Commissioners

GEORGE H. GIBNEY, Chairman

Term expires 1931

FRANCIS C. NORTON

GEORGE G. HARADEN

Term expires 1931

Term expires 1929

Park Commissioners

GEORGE G. HARADEN

Term expires 1931

LAWRENCE R. STONE

CHARLES F. POOLE

Term expires 1929

Term expires 1930

Constables

ARTHUR SOUTHWICK

ALVIN L. PERLEY

BENJAMIN A. DODGE

Chief of Police

ARTHUR SOUTHWICK

Moth Superintendent

HARRY R. MCGREGOR

Superintendent of Cemetery

WILLIAM G. MCKAY

Registrars of Voters

FRANK W. BUZZELL, Chairman

Term expires 1931

RUDOLPH H. HARADEN WALLACE H. KNOWLTON

Term expires 1930

Term expires 1929

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON, Clerk

Sealer of Weights and Measures

MERRILL S. LOVERING

Town Accountant

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON

Town Counsel

ROBERT B. WALSH

Fire Engineers

CHESTER H. KNOWLES, Chief

LESTER M. WHIPPLE

FRANK DANE

RODNEY H. ADAMS

HARRY R. MCGREGOR

Finance and Advisory Board

GEORGE v. L. MEYER, Chairman
COL. J. C. R. PEABODY WILLIAM W. BANCROFT
LEVERETT A. HASKELL FINLAY D. MACDONALD

Inspector of Animals and Slaughtering

GEORGE R. DODGE

Inspector of Milk

GEORGE R. DODGE

Forest Fire Warden

FRED BERRY

Field Drivers

FRED BERRY MERRILL S. LOVERING
FRED P. KILHAM ERNEST M. BARKER

Measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark

JESSE S. MANN LESTER M. WHIPPLE
RALPH BERRY TIMOTHY A. MOYNIHAN

Keeper of Lockup

GEORGE H. HARADEN

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Receipts

TAXES

Current Year:

| | |
|----------|-------------|
| Property | \$97,607 89 |
| Poll | 806 00 |

Previous Years:

| | |
|----------|-----------|
| Property | 17,295 12 |
| Poll | 156 00 |

\$115,865 01

From State:

| | |
|--------------------------|-----------|
| Income Tax 1927 | \$ 670 00 |
| Income Tax 1928 | 15,910 00 |
| Corp. Tax P. S. 1925 | 12 79 |
| Corp. Tax P. S. 1926 | 4 89 |
| Corp. Tax P. S. 1927 | 5 16 |
| Corp. Tax P. S. 1928 | 842 66 |
| Corp. Tax Business 1926 | 178 46 |
| Corp. Tax Business 1927 | 34 92 |
| Corp. Tax Business 1928 | 323 24 |
| Nat. Bank Tax 1925 | 3 10 |
| Nat. Bank Tax 1926 | 1 46 |
| Nat. Bank Tax 1927 | 5 58 |
| Nat. Bank Tax 1928 | 357 17 |
| Trust Co. Tax 1927 | 135 72 |
| Trust Co. Tax 1928 | 1,476 89 |
| Street Ry. Tax 1928 | 186 64 |
| Veteran's Exemption 1928 | 3 48 |

20,152 16

Forwarded

\$136,017 17

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$136,017 17 |
|-----------------|--------------|

LICENSES

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|--------|
| Junk | \$50 00 | |
| Common victuallers' | 38 00 | |
| Peddlers' | 40 00 | |
| Auto, second-hand dealer | 5 00 | |
| Revolver | 24 00 | |
| Pool and bowling | 4 00 | |
| Auctioneer | 4 00 | |
| Denatured alcohol | 3 00 | |
| Public dances | 2 00 | |
| Oleo | 1 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 171 00 |

FINES AND FORFEITS

| | | |
|--------|----------|--------|
| Fines: | | |
| Court | \$132 50 | |
| | <hr/> | 132 50 |

GRANTS AND GIFTS

| | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------------|
| From State: | | |
| Vocational Education | \$ 97 25 | |
| From County: | | |
| Dog licenses | 385 89 | |
| From Individuals: | | |
| Maxwell Norman be- | | |
| quest | 10,330 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 10,813 14 |
| Forwarded | | <hr/> |
| | | \$147,133 81 |

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$147,133 81 |
|-----------------|--------------|

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Moth Assessment 1926 | \$ 56 14 | |
| Moth Assessment 1927 | 652 09 | |
| Moth Assessment 1928 | 575 97 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,284 20 |

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

Inspection:

| | |
|---------------|---------|
| Sealer's fees | \$40 87 |
|---------------|---------|

Forestry:

| | | |
|----------------------------|-------|--------|
| State Highway work | 72 41 | |
| Forest Warden, phone tolls | 53 85 | |
| | <hr/> | 167 13 |

HEALTH AND SANITATION

From State:

| | |
|----------------------|----------|
| Tuberculosis subsidy | \$191 43 |
|----------------------|----------|

From Individuals:

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|--------|
| Reimbursement, Tuberculosis | 367 90 | |
| | <hr/> | 559 33 |

HIGHWAYS

From State:

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------|
| Essex Street | \$5,657 17 |
| Removal of snow from State Highway | 168 50 |

From County:

| | | |
|--------------|----------|-----------|
| Essex Street | 5,657 17 | |
| | <hr/> | 11,482 84 |

| | |
|-----------|--------------|
| Forwarded | \$160,627 31 |
|-----------|--------------|

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$160,627 31 |
|-----------------|--------------|

PUBLIC WELFARE

Outside Relief:

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|--------|
| From State: | \$588 00 | |
| From Cities and Town | 41 75 | |
| Mothers' Aid | | |
| From State | 212 47 | |
| | <hr/> | 842 22 |

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

| | | |
|-----------|----------|--------|
| State Aid | \$264 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 264 00 |

SCHOOLS

| | | |
|----------------------------|----------|--------|
| Sale of District Schools | \$476 25 | |
| Sale of books and supplies | 42 56 | |
| | <hr/> | 518 81 |

PUBLIC LIBRARY

| | | |
|--------------|---------|-------|
| Fines | \$28 40 | |
| Sale of junk | 2 42 | |
| | <hr/> | 30 82 |

PUBLIC SERVICE ENTERPRISES

| | | |
|---------------------|--------|------|
| Public scales, fees | \$3 15 | |
| | <hr/> | 3 15 |

CEMETERIES

| | | |
|-------------------------|----------|--------|
| Sale of lots and graves | \$370 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 370 00 |

| | |
|-----------|--------------|
| Forwarded | \$162,656 31 |
|-----------|--------------|

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$162,656 31 |
|-----------------|--------------|

INTEREST

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|----------|
| Deposits | \$284 09 | |
| Deferred Taxes | 450 75 | |
| Perpetual Care Funds | 434 13 | |
| Dodge Fund Income | 50 63 | |
| Allen Fund Income | 24 29 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,243 89 |

MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Temporary Loans:

Anticipation of

Revenue

\$105,000 00

105,000 00

AGENCY AND TRUST

Trust:

Cemetery Perpetual Care

Funds

\$300 00

300 00

REFUNDS

Departmental:

Snow

\$36 00

Fire

4 05

State Aid

2 00

Highway

1 90

43 95

Receipts in year 1928

\$269,244 15

Forwarded

\$269,244 15

| | |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$269,244 15 |
|-----------------|--------------|

BALANCES

| | | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| General Cash Jan. 1, 1928 | \$17,294 54 | |
| Dodge Fund Income Jan. 1, 1928 | 236 84 | |
| Allen Fund Income Jan. 1, 1928 | 82 98 | |
| | <hr/> | 17,614 36 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | \$286,858 51 |

Expenditures**GENERAL GOVERNMENT****SELECTMEN****Salaries and Wages:**

| | |
|-----------|----------|
| Selectmen | \$850 00 |
|-----------|----------|

| | |
|-------|-------|
| Clerk | 50 00 |
|-------|-------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Carfare and expenses | 118 00 |
|----------------------|--------|

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Stationery, postage, etc. | 18 00 |
|---------------------------|-------|

Surveying:

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| Roosevelt Ave. | 48 85 |
|----------------|-------|

| | |
|--------------|-------|
| Cummings St. | 43 82 |
|--------------|-------|

Selectmen's Warrants:

| | |
|-------------|-------|
| Dog Warrant | 30 00 |
|-------------|-------|

| | |
|---------------|-------|
| Floral Emblem | 10 00 |
|---------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------------------|------|
| Repairing Public Scales | 9 13 |
|-------------------------|------|

Fee to County:

| | |
|----------------------------|------|
| Petition to lay out street | 3 00 |
|----------------------------|------|

| | |
|-----------------|------|
| Telephone tolls | 1 00 |
|-----------------|------|

| | | |
|--|-------|------------|
| | <hr/> | \$1,181 80 |
|--|-------|------------|

ACCOUNTING**Salaries and Wages:**

| | |
|------------|------------|
| Accountant | \$1,200 00 |
|------------|------------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Printing, postage, etc. | 91 31 |
|-------------------------|-------|

| | |
|--------------------------|------|
| Repairing adding machine | 6 25 |
|--------------------------|------|

| | |
|---------|----|
| Express | 95 |
|---------|----|

| | | |
|--|-------|----------|
| | <hr/> | 1,298 51 |
|--|-------|----------|

| | | |
|-----------|-------|------------|
| Forwarded | <hr/> | \$2,480 31 |
|-----------|-------|------------|

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|-----------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$2,480 31 |
|-----------------|------------|

TREASURY

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|-----------|----------|
| Treasurer | \$750 00 |
|-----------|----------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Printing, postage, etc. | 89 25 |
|-------------------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------|--------|
| Surety bond | 105 00 |
|-------------|--------|

 944 25

COLLECTOR

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|-----------|----------|
| Collector | \$600 00 |
|-----------|----------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|-------------|--------|
| Surety bond | 210 00 |
|-------------|--------|

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Printing, postage, etc. | 67 39 |
|-------------------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------|------|
| Advertising | 4 00 |
|-------------|------|

 881 39

ASSESSORS

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|-----------|------------|
| Assessors | \$1,265 00 |
|-----------|------------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------|
| Auto hire, carfare and expenses | 94 23 |
|---------------------------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------|-------|
| Typewriting | 15 00 |
|-------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Printing, postage, etc. | 25 22 |
|-------------------------|-------|

| | |
|----------------------------------|-------|
| Abstracts from Registry of Deeds | 82 55 |
|----------------------------------|-------|

| | |
|--------------------|-------|
| Banker & Tradesman | 10 00 |
|--------------------|-------|

| | |
|-----------|------|
| Auto list | 5 00 |
|-----------|------|

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|---------|----|
| Express | 81 |
|---------|----|

 1,497 81

Forwarded

 \$5,803 76

| | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$5,803 76 |
|-----------------|------------|

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

ASSESSORS (SPECIAL)

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|--------|
| Copy of Valuation Book to | | |
| State | \$100 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 100 00 |

OTHER FINANCE ACCOUNTS

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|--------|
| Certification of Revenue | | |
| Notes | \$12 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 12 00 |
| | LAW | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | |
| Town Counsel | \$200 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 200 00 |

TOWN CLERK

| | | |
|-------------------------|------------|--------|
| Salaries and Wages: | | |
| Town Clerk | \$500 00 | |
| Fees | 85 00 | |
| Other Expenses: | | |
| Printing, postage, etc. | 46 62 | |
| Surety bond | 5 00 | |
| Carfare and expenses | 3 00 | |
| Express | 2 34 | |
| | <hr/> | 641 96 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Forwarded | \$6,757 72 | |

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|-----------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$6,757 72 |
|-----------------|------------|

ELECTION AND REGISTRATION

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Registrar of Voters | \$200 00 |
|---------------------|----------|

| | |
|-------------------|--------|
| Election Officers | 458 00 |
|-------------------|--------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Printing, postage, etc. | 120 40 |
|-------------------------|--------|

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|-----------------------------|--|
| Food, Election Officers and | |
|-----------------------------|--|

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|----------------------|--------|
| Registrars of Voters | 132 42 |
|----------------------|--------|

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|----------------------|-------|
| Stenographic reports | 35 00 |
|----------------------|-------|

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|------------------|------|
| Posting warrants | 3 00 |
|------------------|------|

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|----------------|------|
| Transportation | 1 00 |
|----------------|------|

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| | 949 82 |
|--|--------|

TOWN HALL

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|---------|------------|
| Janitor | \$1,000 00 |
|---------|------------|

| | |
|------------|-------|
| Extra work | 20 00 |
|------------|-------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|------|--------|
| Fuel | 464 35 |
|------|--------|

| | |
|-------|--------|
| Light | 152 02 |
|-------|--------|

| | |
|---------|--------|
| Repairs | 286 70 |
|---------|--------|

| | |
|--------------------|-------|
| Janitor's supplies | 78 30 |
|--------------------|-------|

| | |
|-----------|-------|
| Telephone | 87 45 |
|-----------|-------|

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Equipment and repairs | 27 48 |
|-----------------------|-------|

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|--------------------------|-------|
| Printing (Armistice Day) | 20 90 |
|--------------------------|-------|

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| Removing ashes | 17 00 |
|----------------|-------|

| | |
|--------------|------|
| Tuning piano | 9 00 |
|--------------|------|

| | | |
|------------|------------|------------|
| Forwarded, | \$2,163 20 | \$7,707 54 |
|------------|------------|------------|

| | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Brought forward, | \$2,163 20 | \$7,707 54 | |
| Plants and shrubs | 8 00 | | |
| Laundry | 1 50 | | |
| P. O. box rent | 1 40 | | |
| | <hr/> | 2,174 10 | |
| Total Payments General Government | | <hr/> | \$9,881 64 |

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

POLICE

Salaries and Wages:

Chief of Police \$588 00

Police Officers 784 05

Other Expenses:

Equipment and repairs 263 84

Telephone 125 10

Office rent 120 00

Light traffic beacons 60 61

Auto hire 26 20

Fuel and light 16 04

Typewriting 10 00

Taking dog's head to

Boston 10 00

Fees by order of Court 16 13

Food, officers 7 45

Food, prisoners 1 40

Carfare and expenses 2 16

Printing, postage, etc. 80

Express 44

\$2,032 22

Forwarded

\$9,881 64

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$2,032 22 | \$9,881 64 |
| Payments, Police Dept. | \$2,032 22 | |
| Receipts, Court Fines | 132 50 | |
| Balance, net cost of Dept. | \$1,899 72 | |

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|---------|------------|
| Firemen | \$1,404 38 |
|---------|------------|

| | |
|---|--------|
| Chief Driver and Superintendent of Alarms | 200 00 |
|---|--------|

| | |
|-------|-------|
| Clerk | 25 00 |
|-------|-------|

| | |
|----------------|-------|
| Police service | 25 20 |
|----------------|-------|

| | |
|------------------------|------|
| Other service at fires | 3 50 |
|------------------------|------|

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Equipment and Repairs | 563 56 |
|-----------------------|--------|

Fuel and Light:

| | |
|------|--------|
| Fuel | 163 75 |
|------|--------|

| | |
|-------|-------|
| Light | 98 67 |
|-------|-------|

Buildings and Grounds:

| | |
|---------|--------|
| Janitor | 150 00 |
|---------|--------|

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| Labor on grounds | 53 25 |
|------------------|-------|

| | |
|---------|-------|
| Repairs | 47 80 |
|---------|-------|

| | |
|--------------------|-------|
| Janitor's supplies | 12 73 |
|--------------------|-------|

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|----------------|--------|
| Fire insurance | 396 96 |
|----------------|--------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|------------------|-------|
| Power fire alarm | 73 38 |
|------------------|-------|

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|-----------|-------|
| Telephone | 81 24 |
|-----------|-------|

| | |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Supplies, auto chemical | 61 23 |
|-------------------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------|-------|
| Gas and oil | 57 48 |
|-------------|-------|

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|-----------|------------|------------|------------|
| Forwarded | \$3,118 12 | \$2,032 22 | \$9,881 64 |
|-----------|------------|------------|------------|

| | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$3,418 13 | \$2,032 22 | \$9,881 64 |
| Lunches, firemen | 12 21 | | |
| Printing, postage, etc. | 6 50 | | |
| Medical aid | 4 00 | | |
| | <hr/> | 3,440 84 | |

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

FIRE (SPECIAL)

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|--------|
| Repairs Equipment | \$132 83 | |
| | <hr/> | 132 83 |

FIRE (NEW HOSE)

| | | |
|---------------|----------|--------|
| New Fire Hose | \$325 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 325 00 |

FIRE (PAINTING)

| | | |
|------------|----------|--------|
| Contract | \$224 00 | |
| Extra work | 40 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 264 00 |

FIRE CISTERNS

| | | |
|------------|------------|----------|
| Contract | \$1,487 50 | |
| Extra work | 2 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,489 50 |

| | | | | |
|-----------|-------|------------|-------|------------|
| Forwarded | <hr/> | \$7,684 39 | <hr/> | \$9,881 64 |
|-----------|-------|------------|-------|------------|

| | | |
|-----------------|------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$7,684 39 | \$9,881 64 |
|-----------------|------------|------------|

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|--------|----------|
| Salary | \$150 00 |
|--------|----------|

| | |
|------------|-------|
| Extra work | 12 00 |
|------------|-------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Transportation | 104 50 |
|----------------|--------|

| | |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Equipment and Repairs | 21 66 |
|-----------------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------------------|------|
| Printing, postage, etc. | 6 95 |
|-------------------------|------|

| | |
|-----------|----|
| Telephone | 50 |
|-----------|----|

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|--|---------------|
| | <u>295 61</u> |
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FORESTRY

INSECT PEST EXTERMINATION

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|----------------|------------|
| Superintendent | \$1,157 81 |
|----------------|------------|

| | |
|-------|----------|
| Labor | 1,175 99 |
|-------|----------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|-------|--------|
| Teams | 256 00 |
|-------|--------|

| | |
|-----------------------|--------|
| Equipment and Repairs | 248 82 |
|-----------------------|--------|

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| Insecticides | 399 44 |
|--------------|--------|

Insurance:

| | |
|----------------------|--------|
| Employer's liability | 163 60 |
|----------------------|--------|

| | |
|------------|-------|
| Automobile | 25 61 |
|------------|-------|

| | |
|-------------|--------|
| Gas and oil | 135 35 |
|-------------|--------|

| | |
|--------------|-------|
| Storage auto | 66 00 |
|--------------|-------|

| | |
|--------------------|------|
| Registration truck | 2 00 |
|--------------------|------|

| | | | |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Forwarded | <u>\$3,630 62</u> | <u>\$7,980 00</u> | <u>\$9,881 64</u> |
|-----------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|

| | | | |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$3,630 62 | \$7,980 00 | \$9,881 64 |
| Operator's license | 2 00 | | |
| Telephone | 25 60 | | |
| Drum Sprayer oil | 24 30 | | |
| Freight and express | 11 85 | | |
| Carfare and expenses | 3 00 | | |
| Printing, postage, etc. | 60 | | |
| | <hr/> | 3,697 97 | |
| Moth (Town Work) | \$2,199 60 | | |
| Moth (Private Property) | 1,498 37 | | |
| | <hr/> | | |
| Total | \$3,697 97 | | |

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

| | | | |
|-----------------------|------------------------|-------------|------------|
| | MOTH (NEW TRUCK) | | |
| Ford truck | \$400 00 | | |
| | <hr/> | \$400 00 | |
| | MOTH (NEW HOSE) | | |
| New hose | \$297 00 | | |
| | <hr/> | 297 00 | |
| | MOTH (REPAIRS SPRAYER) | | |
| Repairs sprayer | \$99 12 | | |
| | <hr/> | 99 12 | |
| | TREE WARDEN | | |
| Salaries and Wages: | | | |
| Pay rolls | \$500 01 | | |
| Other Expenses: | | | |
| Equipment and repairs | 17 50 | | |
| | <hr/> | 517 51 | |
| | | <hr/> | |
| Forwarded | | \$12,991 60 | \$9,881 64 |

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| Brought forward | \$12,991 60 | \$9,881 64 |
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FOREST WARDEN

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|---------------|---------|
| Forest Warden | \$25 00 |
|---------------|---------|

| | |
|---------------------------|-------|
| Pay rolls, fighting fires | 22 00 |
|---------------------------|-------|

Other Expenses:

| | |
|-----------|-------|
| Telephone | 76 76 |
|-----------|-------|

123 76

| | |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Payments, Forest Warden | \$123 76 |
|-------------------------|----------|

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|--------------------------|--|
| Receipts, personal phone | |
|--------------------------|--|

| | |
|-------|-------|
| tolls | 53 85 |
|-------|-------|

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|---------------------------|---------|
| Balance Net Cost of Dept. | \$69 91 |
|---------------------------|---------|

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|--|-------------|
| Total Payments Protection Persons and Property | \$13,115 36 |
|--|-------------|

HEALTH AND SANITATION

General Administration:

| | |
|-----------------|----------|
| Board of Health | \$100 00 |
|-----------------|----------|

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|-------|-------|
| Clerk | 25 00 |
|-------|-------|

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|----------------|-------|
| Legal expenses | 20 00 |
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|-------------------------|------|
| Printing, postage, etc. | 7 18 |
|-------------------------|------|

Quarantine and Contagious Diseases:

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| Board and treatment | 261 50 |
|---------------------|--------|

Tuberculosis:

| | |
|---------------------|--------|
| Board and treatment | 422 50 |
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| Forwarded | \$836 18 |
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\$22,997 00

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| Brought forward | \$836 18 | \$22,997 00 |
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Other Expenses:

Collection rubbish

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|------------------------|--------|
| Contract | 715 00 |
| Extra work | 10 00 |
| Collection garbage | 145 00 |
| Advertising | 10 00 |
| Burying dead animals | 1 00 |
| Salary, Milk Inspector | 30 00 |

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|--------------------------------|------------|
| Payments, Health Appropriation | \$1,747 18 |
|--------------------------------|------------|

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|------------------|------------|
| Payments, Health | \$1,747 18 |
|------------------|------------|

Receipts from Individuals

| | |
|-----------|--------|
| and State | 559 33 |
|-----------|--------|

Balance, Net Cost of

| | |
|------------|------------|
| Department | \$1,187 85 |
|------------|------------|

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

| | |
|-----------------------|---------|
| Inspection of Animals | \$43 16 |
|-----------------------|---------|

43 16

ASSESSMENTS BY COUNTY

Maintenance Essex Sana-
torium

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|------------|
| \$1,043 58 |
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1,043 58

Total Payments, Health and Sanitation

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|------------|
| \$2,833 92 |
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Forwarded

\$25,830 92

Brought forward

\$25,830 92

HIGHWAYS

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and Wages:

Surveyor of Highways \$1,500 00

 \$1,500 00

GENERAL EXPENDITURES

Labor \$5,595 50

Trucks and teams 3,661 02

Gravel, stone, etc. 579 55

Equipment and repairs 1,823 27

Road oil and cold patch 1,439 41

Gas and oil 611 61

Mason work 148 06

Employer's Liability In-
surance 454 43

Automobile insurance 44 60

Storage trucks 54 00

Surveying 44 12

Lumber 18 61

Drain pipe 13 50

Street signs 6 75

Freight and express 4 20

Carfare and expenses 3 70

Registration truck 2 00

 14,504 33

Forwarded

 \$16,004 33

 \$25,830 92

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|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Brought forward | \$16,004 33 | \$25,830 92 |
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ROAD ROLLER

| | | |
|----------------------|----------|--------|
| Engineer | \$332 60 | |
| Fuel | 119 57 | |
| Repairs | 29 74 | |
| Carfare and expenses | 5 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 486 91 |

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|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Payments from Highway Appropriation | \$16,491 24 |
|-------------------------------------|-------------|

SNOW

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|----------|
| Labor | \$1,565 76 | |
| Trucks and teams | 1,473 66 | |
| Other Expenses: | | |
| Snow fence | 327 00 | |
| Equipment and repairs | 141 19 | |
| Storage truck | 120 00 | |
| Auto insurance | 73 40 | |
| Registration trucks | 35 50 | |
| Gas and oil | 24 32 | |
| Sand | 8 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 3,768 83 |

STREET LIGHTING

| | | |
|----------|------------|----------|
| Contract | \$7,843 12 | |
| | <hr/> | 7,843 12 |

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|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Forwarded | \$28,103 19 | \$25,830 92 |
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|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Brought forward | \$28,103 19 | \$25,830 92 |
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

ESSEX STREET

| | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Contract | \$16,971 51 | |
| Extra work | 39 00 | |
| Advertising | 40 60 | |
| Grates and frames | 22 95 | |
| Freight | 4 54 | |
| Relocation of street: | | |
| Sheriff fees and adver- | | |
| tising | 29 00 | |
| Repairing broken cable | 46 30 | |
| | <hr/> | \$17,153 90 |
| Payments Essex Street | \$17,153 90 | |
| Receipts from State and | | |
| County | 11,314 34 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Balance Net Cost | \$5,839 56 | |

RAILROAD AVENUE

| | | |
|------------|------------|----------|
| Contract | \$8,300 90 | |
| Extra work | 149 00 | |
| Engineer | 639 51 | |
| | <hr/> | 9,089 41 |

ELLIOTT STREET DRAINAGE

| | | |
|------------|------------|----------|
| Contract | \$2,650 00 | |
| Extra work | 8 50 | |
| Engineer | 250 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 2,908 50 |

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|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| Forwarded | \$57,255 00 | \$25,830 92 |
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| Brought forward | \$57,255 00 | \$25,830 92 |
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HIGHWAY (SPECIAL NEEDS)

ROOSEVELT AVENUE

| | | |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Labor | \$975 83 | |
| Trucks and teams | 467 00 | |
| Gravel, stone, etc. | 126 15 | |
| Equipment and repairs | 24 80 | |
| Surveying | 56 06 | |
| Gas and oil | 7 00 | |
| Carfare and expenses | 4 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,660 84 |

COTTAGE STREET

| | | |
|-----------------------|------------|----------|
| Labor | \$1,173 50 | |
| Trucks and teams | 534 00 | |
| Gravel, stone, etc. | 125 50 | |
| Equipment and repairs | 193 42 | |
| Gas and oil | 182 24 | |
| Mason work | 72 30 | |
| | <hr/> | 2,280 96 |

RUST STREET

| | | |
|-----------------------|----------|----------|
| Labor | \$588 67 | |
| Trucks and teams | 169 00 | |
| Gravel, stone, etc. | 77 00 | |
| Equipment and repairs | 107 89 | |
| Gas and oil | 110 02 | |
| Carfare and expenses | 3 50 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,056 08 |

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|---------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Total Payments Highway Division | | \$62,252 88 |
|---------------------------------|--|-------------|

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|-----------|--|-------------|
| Forwarded | | \$88,083 80 |
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Brought forward

\$88,083 80

PUBLIC WELFARE

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Salaries and Wages:

Overseers \$100 00

Clerk 25 00

Other Expenses:

Printing, postage 97

\$125 97

OUTSIDE RELIEF

Groceries and provisions \$250 00

Fuel 137 75

Medical aid 46 80

Cash aid 1,518 00

Burials 60 00

Rent 372 00

2,384 55

RELIEF BY OTHER CITIES AND TOWNS

By Cities:

Board and care \$645 00

Groceries and provisions 61 89

Medical aid 24 00

730 89

Forwarded

\$3,241 41

\$88,083 80

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|-----------------|------------|-------------|
| Brought forward | \$3,241 41 | \$88,083 80 |
|-----------------|------------|-------------|

MOTHERS' AID

| | | |
|-------------|----------|--------|
| Cash aid | \$696 00 | |
| Medical aid | 35 50 | |
| | <hr/> | 731 50 |

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| Total Payments Public Welfare | | \$3,972 91 |
|-------------------------------|--|------------|

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| Total Payments | \$3,972 91 | |
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|---|--------|--|
| Receipts from State, Cities, Towns, etc. | 842 22 | |
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|-------------------------|------------|--|
| Balance, Net Cost Dept. | \$2,950 69 | |
|-------------------------|------------|--|

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

| | | |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| State aid | \$212 00 | |
| Soldiers' burial | 97 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$309 00 |

Soldiers' Relief:

| | | |
|--------------------------|----------|--------|
| Medical aid | \$595 21 | |
| Groceries and provisions | 161 13 | |
| Cash aid | 96 00 | |
| Fuel | 35 30 | |
| Rent | 18 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 905 64 |

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|-----------------------------------|--|------------|
| Total Payments Soldiers' Benefits | | \$1,214 64 |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------|

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| Forwarded | | <hr/> \$93,271 35 |
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Brought forward

\$93,271 35

SCHOOLS

GENERAL

Superintendent of Schools:

Salary \$1,200 00

Clerk 331 25

Expenses 17 46

Truant officer 67 50

Printing, postage, etc. 3 44

Telephone 112 11

Travelling expense 173 89

School census 30 00

Health:

School Nurse 745 00

School Physician 300 00

Health supplies 80 92

Dental Hygiene 33 00

Other Expenses:

School library 154 13

Advertising 6 75

 \$3,255 45

TEACHERS' SALARIES

High \$ 8,920 75

Elementary 17,803 35

 26,724 10

Forwarded

 \$29,979 55

 \$93,271 35

Brought forward \$29,979 55 \$93,271 35

TEXT BOOKS AND SUPPLIES

High:

Books \$ 382 76

Supplies 1,084 39

Elementary:

Books 477 27

Supplies 809 68

2,754 10

TRANSPORTATION

High \$2,805 00

Elementary 2,805 00

5,610 00

JANITOR SERVICE

High \$ 750 00

Elementary 1,629 96

2,379 96

FUEL AND LIGHT

High \$ 469 04

Elementary 1,456 59

1,925 63

MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

High:

Repairs \$1,149 56

Janitor Supplies 150 98

Removing Ashes 13 50

Elementary:

Repairs 1280 08

Forwarded \$2,954 12 \$42,649 24 \$93,271 35

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|-----------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Brought forward | \$2,954 12 | \$42,649 24 | \$93,271 35 |
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| Part cost of A. D. Walsh | | | |
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|----------|-------|--|--|
| Memorial | 80 00 | | |
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| Janitors' supplies | 148 49 | | |
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|----------------|-------|--|--|
| Removing ashes | 17 50 | | |
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| | <u>2,840 11</u> | | |
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FURNITURE AND FURNISHINGS

| | | | |
|------|----------|--|--|
| High | \$ 80 75 | | |
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|------------|--------|--|--|
| Elementary | 146 79 | | |
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| | <u>227 54</u> | | |
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OTHER EXPENSES

| | | | |
|----------------|------------|--|--|
| Fire insurance | \$1,166 23 | | |
|----------------|------------|--|--|

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|---------------------------|-------|--|--|
| Industrial School tuition | 76 60 | | |
|---------------------------|-------|--|--|

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|-----------------------------|-------|--|--|
| Graduating expenses, diplo- | | | |
| mas, etc. | 51 55 | | |

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|------------------------|------|--|--|
| Miscellaneous printing | 7 07 | | |
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|---------------------|------|--|--|
| Freight and express | 4 63 | | |
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| | <u>1,306 08</u> | | |
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| Total Payments from School Approp- | | | |
| riation | | \$47,022 97 | |

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

ADELAIDE D. WALSH MEMORIAL

| | | | |
|----------|----------|--|--|
| Memorial | \$100 00 | | |
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| | <u>100 00</u> | | |
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| Forwarded | | \$47,122 97 | \$93,271 35 |
|-----------|--|-------------|-------------|

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|-----------------|-------------|-------------|
| Brought forward | \$47,122 97 | \$93,271 35 |
|-----------------|-------------|-------------|

SPECIAL ACCOUNT

EXPENSES OF SALE OF DISTRICT SCHOOLS

| | | |
|---|-------------------|-------|
| Advertising, printing, auctioneer, etc. | \$23 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | 23 00 |

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|--------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Total Payments School Division | | \$47,145 97 |
|--------------------------------|--|-------------|

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Salaries and Wages:

| | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Librarians | \$525 00 | |
| Clerical and extra work | 46 00 | |
| Janitor service | 37 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$608 00 |

Books and Periodicals:

| | | |
|-------------|-------------------|----------|
| Books | \$862 87 | |
| Periodicals | 149 70 | |
| | <u> </u> | 1,012 57 |

Fuel and Light:

| | | |
|-------|-------------------|-------|
| Fuel | \$22 50 | |
| Light | 26 29 | |
| | <u> </u> | 48 79 |

Buildings and Grounds:

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Rent, Branch Library | \$330 00 | |
| Repairs | 72 07 | |
| Fire insurance | 51 30 | |
| Janitor supplies | 9 70 | |
| | <u> </u> | 463 07 |

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|-----------|------------|--------------|
| Forwarded | \$2,132 43 | \$140,417 32 |
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|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$2,132 43 | \$140,417 32 |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|

Other Expenses:

| | | |
|----------------------------|---------|-------|
| Library cards and supplies | \$12 92 | |
| Stationery, postage, etc. | 12 00 | |
| Floral emblems | 15 00 | |
| Transportation books | 3 00 | |
| P. O. box rent | 1 75 | |
| Express | 50 | |
| | <hr/> | 45 17 |

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| Total Payments Public Library | | \$2,177 60 |
|-------------------------------|--|------------|

RECREATION

PARKS

| | |
|-------|----------|
| Labor | \$327 50 |
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Other Expenses:

| | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|--------|
| Painting guns Soldiers' Memorial | 13 50 | |
| Equipment and repairs | 8 85 | |
| | <hr/> | 349 85 |

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

WINTHROP PARK FENCE

| | | |
|-----------|----------|--------|
| New fence | \$235 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 235 00 |

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| Total Payments Parks | | \$584 85 |
|----------------------|--|----------|

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|-----------|--|--------------|
| Forwarded | | \$143,179 77 |
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Brought forward

\$143,179 77

UNCLASSIFIED

| | | |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| Town Reports | \$379 30 | |
| Memorial Day | 261 57 | |
| American Legion | 250 00 | |
| Care Town Clock | 25 00 | |
| Boiler insurance | 103 52 | |
| Game Warden | 10 00 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,029 39 |

Total Payments Unclassified

\$1,029 39

CEMETERIES

Salaries and Wages:

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Superintendent | \$594 00 |
| Labor | 138 00 |
| Commissioners | 45 00 |

Other Expenses:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Installing cannons, Soldiers' Lot | 251 55 |
| Equipment and Repairs | 22 60 |
| Teams | 9 00 |
| Repairing Receiving Tomb | 5 00 |
| Draining water supply | 3 50 |
| Power, Water Plant | 3 00 |
| Typewriting | 1 00 |
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Payments Cemetery Appropriation \$1,072 65

Forwarded

\$144,209 16

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|-----------------|------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$1,072 65 | \$144,209 16 |
|-----------------|------------|--------------|

SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

CEMETERY WATER SUPPLY

| | | |
|----------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Cemetery Water Plant | \$737 53 | |
| | <hr/> | 737 53 |
| Payments for care En- | | |
| dowed Lots | \$296 60 | |
| | <hr/> | 296 60 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total Payments Cemetery Division | | \$2,106 78 |

INTEREST

Temporary Loans:

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Anticipation Revenue | \$2,287 87 |
|----------------------|------------|

General Loans:

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| T. B. Hospital | 658 75 |
|----------------|--------|

| | |
|------------------|--------|
| East School Loan | 337 50 |
|------------------|--------|

| | |
|----------------------|--|
| Essex Street Highway | |
|----------------------|--|

| | |
|------|--------|
| Loan | 233 75 |
|------|--------|

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| <hr/> | \$3,517 87 |
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| <hr/> | \$3,517 87 |
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MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

Temporary Loans:

| | |
|-------------------------|--------------|
| Anticipation of Revenue | \$100,000 00 |
|-------------------------|--------------|

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| Forwarded | |
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| <hr/> | \$149,833 81 |
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|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Brought forward | \$100,000 00 | \$149,833 81 |
|-----------------|--------------|--------------|

General Loans:

| | | |
|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Essex Street Highway | 3,000 00 | |
| Tuberculosis Hospital | 1,000 00 | |
| East School | 1,000 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$105,000 00 |

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| Total Paymyents Municipal Indebtedness | \$105,000 00 |
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AGENCY AND TRUST

Agency:

| | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| State Tax 1928 | \$6,205 00 | |
| County Tax 1928 | 8,702 14 | |
| State Highway Tax | | |
| 1928 | 2,194 12 | |
| State Audit 1928 | 230 80 | |
| | <u> </u> | \$17,332 06 |

Trust:

| | | |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Investment Perpetual | | |
| Care Funds | 300 00 | |
| Investment Special | | |
| Funds | 370 00 | |
| | <u> </u> | 670 00 |

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|---------------------------|-------------|
| Payments Agency and Trust | \$18,002 06 |
|---------------------------|-------------|

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|-----------|--------------|
| Forwarded | \$272,835 87 |
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Brought forward

\$272,835 87

REFUNDS

To State:

Corporation Tax

\$1 58

\$1 58\$1 58

Total Payments, year 1928

\$272,837 45

BALANCES

General Cash Dec. 31, 1928:

Checking account

\$3,573 92

Special account:

Maxwell Norman

bequest

10,330 00

\$13,903 92

Dodge Fund Income,

Dec. 31, 1928

\$9 87

9 87

Allen Fund Income,

Dec. 31, 1928

\$107 27

107 2714,021 06

\$286,858 51

TRANSFERS

RESERVE FUND

| TRANSFERS | | | APPROPRIATION | | |
|-----------|------------------|------------|---------------|---------------|------------|
| 1928 | | | 1928 | | |
| Oct. 11 | Cemetery | \$200 00 | Mar. 13 | Appropriation | \$3,000 00 |
| Dec. 28 | Soldiers' Relief | 205 64 | | | |
| " 28 | Police | 232 22 | | | |
| " 28 | State Aid | 7 00 | | | |
| " 28 | Snow | 732 83 | | | |
| " 28 | Tree Warden | 17 51 | | | |
| " 28 | Essex Street | 1,500 00 | | | |
| " 31 | Balance | 104 80 | | | |
| | | <hr/> | | | <hr/> |
| | | \$3,000 00 | | | \$3,000 00 |

Balance sheet December 31, 1928

\$67,780 02

DEBT ACCOUNT

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| Net Bonded Debt | \$24,500 00 | East School Loan | \$7,000 00 |
| | | Tuberculosis Hospital Loan | 15,000 00 |
| | | Essex Street Highway Loan | 2,500 00 |
| | <u>\$24,500 00</u> | | <u>\$24,500 00</u> |

TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS

| | | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| Trust and Investment Funds | \$13,240 02 | Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds | \$9,881 33 |
| | | Special Cemetery Fund | 1,858 69 |
| | | Dodge Library Fund | 1,000 00 |
| | | Allen Library Fund | 500 00 |
| | <u>\$13,240 02</u> | | <u>\$13,240 02</u> |

RECAPITULATION OF DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES YEAR 1928

| | Appropriation | Expended | Balance Unexpended |
|---------------------------------|---------------|------------|-----------------------|
| Selectmen | \$1,250 00 | \$1,181 80 | \$68 20 |
| Accounting | 1,300 00 | 1,298 51 | 1 49 |
| Treasury | 950 00 | 944 25 | 5 75 |
| Collector | 975 00 | 881 39 | 93 61 |
| Assessors (General) | 1,500 00 | 1,497 81 | 2 19 |
| Assessors (Special State Report | 100 00 | 100 00 | 0 00 |
| Certifying Notes | 20 00 | 12 00 | 8 00 |
| Law | 200 00 | 200 00 | 0 00 |
| Town Clerk | 650 00 | 641 96 | 8 04 |
| Election and Registration | 1,000 00 | 949 82 | 50 18 |
| Town Hall | 2,200 00 | 2,174 10 | 25 90 |
| Police: | | | |
| Appropriation | \$1,800 00 | | |
| From Reserve | 232 22 | | |
| | <hr/> | 2,032 22 | 2,032 22 |
| | | | 0 00 |
| Fire Department: | | | |
| Appropriation | \$2,300 00 | | |
| Refund | 4 05 | | |
| | <hr/> | 2,304 05 | 3,440 84 |
| | | | *1,136 79 |
| Fire (Painting) | 300 00 | 264 00 | 36 00 |
| Fire (New Hose) | 325 00 | 325 00 | 0 00 |
| Fire (Special) | 150 00 | 132 83 | 17 17 |
| Fire Cisterns | 1,500 00 | 1,489 50 | 10 50 |
| Sealer | 300 00 | 295 61 | 4 39 |
| Moth (Town Work) | 2,200 00 | 2,199 60 | 0 40 |
| Moth (New Truck) | 400 00 | 400 00 | 0 00 |
| Moth (New Hose) | 300 00 | 297 00 | 3 00 |
| Moth (Repairs Sprayer) | 100 00 | 99 12 | 0 88 |

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| | | Appropriation | Expended | Balance Unexpended |
|--------------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| Moth (Private Property) | | 1,500 00 | 1,498 37 | 1 63 |
| Tree Warden: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$500 00 | | | |
| From Reserve | 17 51 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 517 51 | 517 51 | 0 00 |
| Forest Warden | | 150 00 | 123 76 | 26 24 |
| Health - | | 1,800 00 | 1,747 18 | 52 82 |
| Inspector of Animals | | 75 00 | 43 16 | 31 84 |
| Highways (General): | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$16,500 00 | | | |
| Refund | 1 90 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 16,501 90 | 16,491 24 | 10 66 |
| Highways (Special) | | 5,000 00 | 4,997 88 | 2 12 |
| Railroad Avenue | | 9,200 00 | 9,089 41 | 110 59 |
| Elliott Street Drainage | | 3,000 00 | 2,908 50 | 91 50 |
| Essex Street: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$ 5,000 00 | | | |
| From Reserve | 1,500 00 | | | |
| From State and County | 11,334 34 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 17,834 34 | 17,153 90 | 660 44 |
| Snow: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$3,000 00 | | | |
| Refund | 36 00 | | | |
| From Reserve | 732 83 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 3,768 83 | 3,768 83 | 0 00 |
| Street Lighting | | 7,900 00 | 7,843 12 | 56 88 |
| Public Welfare | | 4,000 00 | 3,972 91 | 27 09 |

| | | Appropriation | Expended | Balance Unexpended |
|----------------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| State Aid: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$300 00 | | | |
| Refund | 2 00 | | | |
| From Reserve | 7 00 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 309 00 | 309 00 | 0 00 |
| Soldiers' Relief: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$700 00 | | | |
| From Reserve | 205 64 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 905 64 | 905 64 | 0 00 |
| Schools: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$46,665 00 | | | |
| Dog Tax | 385 89 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 47,050 89 | 47,022 97 | 27 92 |
| A. D. Walsh Memorial | | 100 00 | 100 00 | 0 00 |
| Public Library: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$1,900 00 | | | |
| From Trust Funds | 277 60 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 2,177 60 | 2,177 60 | 0 00 |
| Parks | | 350 00 | 349 85 | 0 15 |
| Winthrop Park Fence | | 250 00 | 235 00 | 15 00 |
| Memorial Day | | 300 00 | 261 57 | 38 43 |
| Town Reports | | 400 00 | 379 30 | 20 70 |
| Town Clock | | 50 00 | 25 00 | 25 00 |
| American Legion | | 250 00 | 250 00 | 0 00 |
| Boiler Insurance | | 110 00 | 103 52 | 6 48 |
| Game Warden | | 15 00 | 10 00 | 5 00 |
| Reserve Fund | | 3,000 00 | 2,895 20 | 104 80 |
| Cemetery: | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$900 00 | | | |
| From Reserve | 200 00 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 1,100 00 | 1,072 65 | 27 35 |

| | | Appropriation | Expended | Balance Unexpended |
|--------------------------------------|----------|---------------|----------|-----------------------|
| Cemetery (Water Supply) : | | | | |
| Appropriation | \$600 00 | | | |
| From Trust Funds | 137 53 | | | |
| | <hr/> | 737 53 | 737 53 | 0 00 |
| Interest | | 3,600 00 | 3,517 87 | 82 13 |
| Maturing Debt | | 5,000 00 | 5,000 00 | 0 00 |
| Balance of Appropriations Unexpended | | | | \$1,100 03 |
| * Overdraft | | | | |

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

December 31, 1928

| | Endowment | Balance Jan. 1, 1928 | Receipts 1928 | Payments 1928 | Balance Dec. 31, 1928 |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Abbott, M. K. | \$200 00 | \$264 98 | \$12 02 | \$6 00 | \$271 00 |
| Allen, Albert F. | 100 00 | 102 84 | 4 66 | 5 00 | 102 50 |
| Allen, Dr. D. S. | 300 00 | 468 40 | 21 29 | 18 00 | 471 69 |
| Allen, Dr. Justin | 100 00 | 102 05 | 4 64 | 4 00 | 102 69 |
| Andrews, Horace E. | 100 00 | 109 08 | 5 51 | 3 00 | 111 59 |
| Austin, Della | 100 00 | 108 88 | 5 25 | 3 00 | 111 13 |
| Ayers Fund | 150 00 | 174 24 | 7 93 | 4 00 | 178 17 |
| Bean, Ellen A. | 100 00 | 111 55 | 5 07 | 3 50 | 113 12 |
| Bradstreet, John | 200 00 | 206 52 | 10 00 | 5 00 | 211 52 |
| Brown, Elizabeth S. | 100 00 | 103 70 | 4 71 | 3 00 | 105 41 |
| Burnham, Amos A. | 100 00 | 108 09 | 4 91 | 4 00 | 109 00 |
| Burnham, Choate | 175 00 | 184 12 | 8 37 | 6 00 | 186 49 |
| Butler, Nathaniel B. | 100 00 | 104 52 | 5 28 | 4 00 | 105 80 |
| Burton, F. J. and P. W. | 100 00 | 106 76 | 5 38 | 7 00 | 105 14 |
| Chadwick, Alden | 100 00 | 106 09 | 5 13 | 3 50 | 107 72 |
| Chandler, William | 100 00 | 102 09 | 4 95 | 4 00 | 103 04 |
| Cutler, Temple (old lot) | 75 00 | 81 35 | 4 11 | 3 50 | 81 96 |
| Cutler, Temple (new lot) | 75 00 | 79 06 | 4 01 | 3 00 | 80 07 |
| Dane, Ephraim A. | 108 00 | 109 19 | 5 51 | 5 00 | 109 70 |
| Dane, Francis | 1,000 00 | 1,202 53 | 54 70 | 157 53 | 1,099 70 |
| Dane, Joseph F. | 100 00 | 104 82 | 5 28 | 4 00 | 106 10 |
| Dane, Luther | 100 00 | 111 77 | 5 07 | 4 00 | 112 84 |
| Davenport, J. K. | 100 00 | 104 53 | 4 73 | 4 00 | 105 26 |
| Dodge, Edward W. | 100 00 | 108 31 | 5 48 | 3 50 | 110 29 |
| Dodge, H. Augusta | 200 00 | 291 86 | 13 26 | 5 00 | 300 12 |
| Dodge, James E. | 100 00 | 114 67 | 5 78 | 3 50 | 116 95 |
| Dodge, Joseph T. | 100 00 | 108 00 | 4 91 | 4 50 | 108 41 |
| Dufton, Joseph W. | 100 00 | 109 06 | 5 51 | 4 00 | 110 57 |

| | | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------|--------|-------|------|--------|
| Ellis, Emily | 100 00 | 106 64 | 5 16 | 3 50 | 108 30 |
| Elwell, J. E. and Gertrude | 100 00 | 106 36 | 5 13 | 3 00 | 108 49 |
| Fillebrown, H. K. | 50 00 | 52 47 | 2 63 | 2 25 | 52 85 |
| Gleason, William T. | 100 00 | 104 85 | 4 75 | 5 00 | 104 60 |
| Goodhue, Samuel G. | 100 00 | 101 02 | 5 11 | 5 00 | 101 13 |
| Graham, Charles E. | 50 00 | 52 47 | 2 63 | 2 25 | 52 85 |
| Hayes, Olivia | 100 00 | 107 02 | 5 19 | 4 00 | 108 21 |
| Haynes, George T. | 100 00 | 105 71 | 4 79 | 4 00 | 106 50 |
| Henry, Mary R. | 75 00 | 80 53 | 4 05 | 3 00 | 81 58 |
| Horne, Thomas | 100 00 | 114 83 | 5 78 | 3 50 | 117 11 |
| Kinsman, Susan A. | 150 00 | 158 65 | 8 00 | 6 00 | 160 65 |
| Knowlton, Jacob | 100 00 | 113 29 | 5 13 | 4 00 | 114 42 |
| Knowlton, George K. | 100 00 | 114 52 | 5 78 | 3 50 | 116 80 |
| Knowlton, Isaac F. | 200 00 | 236 19 | 11 95 | 5 50 | 242 64 |
| Knowlton, John H. | 100 00 | 100 00 | 3 62 | 3 00 | 100 62 |
| Knowlton, Joseph | 100 00 | 101 25 | 4 89 | 4 00 | 102 14 |
| Lovering, Joseph P. | 100 00 | 109 29 | 5 53 | 4 00 | 110 82 |
| Mason, Arthur | 100 00 | 113 60 | 5 73 | 3 50 | 115 83 |
| McNeil, Hattie | 100 00 | 110 39 | 5 58 | 3 50 | 112 47 |
| Patch, Emeline | 100 00 | 110 14 | 5 55 | 3 50 | 112 19 |
| Patch, Laura | 100 00 | 108 54 | 5 48 | 4 50 | 109 52 |
| Peterson, Charles A. | 100 00 | 106 81 | 5 38 | 4 00 | 108 19 |
| Porter, Benjamin | 100 00 | 100 00 | 4 02 | 3 50 | 100 52 |
| Preston, Thomas A. | 100 00 | 101 82 | 5 13 | 4 50 | 102 45 |
| Proctor, Thomas | 300 00 | 356 06 | 17 28 | .... | 373 34 |
| Roberts, Daniel | 100 00 | 107 75 | 4 89 | 4 00 | 108 64 |
| Safford, Daniel E. | 100 00 | 103 53 | 4 68 | 4 00 | 104 21 |
| Stone, Daniel D. | 100 00 | 163 32 | 4 99 | 4 50 | 103 81 |
| Thayer, Samuel E. | 100 00 | 102 84 | 4 97 | 4 00 | 103 81 |
| Townsend, William E. | 100 00 | 102 62 | 4 64 | 4 00 | 103 26 |
| Trussell, Frank P. | 150 00 | 150 00 | 6 05 | 2 00 | 154 05 |
| Tuttle, John | 100 00 | 105 79 | 5 33 | 4 00 | 107 12 |
| Whipple, Albert M. | 100 00 | 103 54 | 5 23 | 4 00 | 104 77 |
| Whipple, Hannah M. | 100 00 | 106 25 | 4 82 | 4 00 | 107 07 |

| | | | | | |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Whipple, Emerson A. | 100 00 | 102 90 | 4 97 | 4 00 | 103 87 |
| Whipple, L. D. | 100 00 | 108 35 | 4 91 | 3 50 | 109 76 |
| Whittredge, John | 100 00 | 100 00 | 4 85 | 3 00 | 101 85 |
| Wilson, James | 100 00 | 102 74 | 4 97 | 3 50 | 104 21 |
| Woodbury, John L. | 100 00 | 100 00 | 4 85 | 4 00 | 100 85 |
| Woodbury, John T. | 100 00 | 100 00 | 4 85 | 3 00 | 101 85 |
| Added in 1928: | | | | | |
| Ayers, Frederick H. | \$100 00 | ..... | \$100 80 | \$0 80 | \$100 00 |
| Brewer, Alice | 100 00 | ..... | 100 80 | 0 80 | 100 00 |
| Colwell, Ernest G. | 100 00 | ..... | 100 00 | .... | 100 00 |
| | <hr/> \$8,858 00 | <hr/> \$9,561 14 | <hr/> \$754 32 | <hr/> \$434 13 | <hr/> \$9,881 33 |

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUNDS

| | |
|--|------------|
| Savings Bank Deposits at beginning of year | \$9,561 14 |
| Savings Bank Deposits at end of year | 9,881' 33 |

RECEIPTS

| | |
|-------------------|----------|
| Deposits for care | \$300 00 |
| Interest | 454 32 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$754 32 |

PAYMENTS

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Care of lots | \$296 60 |
| Cemetery improve- ments | 137 53 |
| Deposited in Savings Banks | 320 19 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$754 32 |

INVESTMENT FUNDS

SPECIAL CEMETERY FUND

| | Principal | Interest | Total |
|--|------------|----------|------------|
| Savings Bank Deposit at beginning of year | \$1,235 00 | \$185 74 | \$1,420 74 |
| Deposited in Savings Bank in 1928 | 370 00 | 67 95 | 437 95 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Savings Bank deposit at end of year | \$1,605 00 | \$253 69 | \$1,858 69 |

PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUST FUNDS

H. AUGUSTA DODGE FUND

| | Cash | Savings Bank | Total |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------|------------|
| On hand at beginning of year | \$236 84 | \$1,000 00 | \$1,236 84 |
| On hand at end of year | 9 87 | 1,000 00 | 1,009 87 |

INCOME ACCOUNT

| RECEIPTS | | PAYMENTS | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|---|----------|
| Cash on hand at beginning of year | | Paid for periodicals | \$277 60 |
| (in general cash) | \$236 84 | Cash on hand at end of year (in general cash) | |
| Income in 1928 | 50 63 | | 9 87 |
| | <hr/> | | <hr/> |
| | \$287 47 | | \$287 47 |

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN FUND

| | Cash | Savings Bank | Total |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------|----------|
| On hand at beginning of year | \$ 82 98 | \$500 00 | \$582 98 |
| On hand at end of year | 107 27 | 500 00 | 607 27 |

INCOME ACCOUNT

| RECEIPTS | | PAYMENTS | |
|-----------------------------------|----------|---|----------|
| Cash on hand at beginning of year | | Cash on hand at end of year (in general cash) | |
| (in general cash) | \$82 98 | | \$107 27 |
| Income 1928 | 24 29 | | <hr/> |
| | <hr/> | | \$107 27 |
| | \$107 27 | | |

Respectfully submitted,

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,

Town Accountant.

TREASURER'S CASH

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Cash on hand January 1, 1928 | \$ 17 614 36 | |
| Receipts in 1928 | 269,244 15 | |
| | <hr/> | \$286,858 51 |
| Payments in 1928 | \$272,837 45 | |
| Cash on hand December 31, 1928 | 14,021 06 | |
| | <hr/> | 286,858 51 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Cash on hand December 31, 1928 | \$14,021 06 | |
| | <hr/> | \$14,021 06 |
| Merchants National Bank (checking account) | \$3,656 10 | |
| Merchants National Bank (Norman bequest, special account) | 10,330 00 | |
| Cash in office | 34 96 | |
| | <hr/> | 14,021 06 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Merchants Nat. Bank (check book) | \$ 3,656 10 | |
| Checks outstanding Dec. 31, 1928 | 23,473 48 | |
| | <hr/> | \$27,129 58 |
| Merchants National Bank, Balance Dec. 31 | \$27,129 58 | |
| | <hr/> | 27,129 58 |

Yours respectfully,

ANNIE E. WOODBURY,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK**BIRTHS RECORDED**

1928

- Jan. 21 Nancy Adelaide, daughter of
George H. Jr. and Josephine (Scott) Hobbs
- Jan. 24 Paul Stewart, son of
Raymond A. and Grace W. (Gray) Tucker
- Feb. 11 Edward Anderson, son of
Rudolph H. and Martha N. (Anderson) Haraden
- Feb. 23 Sally, daughter of
Harold and Maude (Walsh) Nielsen
- Mar. 14 Ann Marie, daughter of
Hans C. and Alma (Laako) Nielsen
- Mar. 27 James Joseph, son of
Thomas and Margaret (Sullivan) Millerick
- Mar. 28 Carolyn Reed, daughter of
George R. and Anna (Jenkins) Whittier
- April 2 Jean Catherine, daughter of
Albert and Marion (Millett) Tremblay
- May 3 Joan Annette, daughter of
John and Frances (Smith) Foster
- May 29 Ruth Elaine, daughter of
George Leroy and Lois (Kelley) Hall
- May 30 Priscilla Irene, daughter of
Winslow B. and Ethel M. (Mugridge) Dodge
- June 9 June Page, daughter of
Leroy and Sadie (Southwick) Thayer
- June 30 Francis Harvey, son of
Frank R. and Eva M. (Ingraham) Feener
- July 28 Stephen Irving Jr., son of
Stephen I. and Grace M. (Hooper) Cross

- Aug. 23 Gardner Ames, son of
James and Louise (Ames) Morgan
- Sept. 11 Sumner Jr. son of
Sumner and Mary (Weld) Pingree
- Sept. 22 Mary Ellen, daughter of
John and Ellen (Lonergan) McLean
- Sept. 25 Shirley Anne, daughter of
Raymond A. and Ruth B. (Perley) Whipple
- Sept. 28 Robert Gould 4th, son of
Alexander and Helene (Ellsworth) Shaw
- Oct. 4 Earl Franklin, son of
Jerome F. and Frances (McDonah) Flynn
- Oct. 7 Ruth Frances, daughter of
Benjamin A. and Ruth F. (Linehan) Dodge
- Nov. 22 Jean Frances, daughter of
Arthur E. and Elsie (Kattendof) Poole
- Dec. 3 Joseph Gilman, son of
Stanley E. and Gertrude M. (Hitchings) Allen

MARRIAGES RECORDED

Zygmunt Chludzinski of Hamilton
Stasia Sylmanowicz of Peabody

Lewis K. Pierce of Beverly
Helen L. Lovering of Hamilton

Grafton Smith of Boston
Janice Vaughan of Hamilton

Irvin Maxwell Reid of Beverly
Mabel Edna Marr of Beverly

John M. Peterson of Hamilton
Tora E. M. Hokanson of Manchester

Roland P. Berry of Hamilton
Lorena Mae Case of Hamilton

Philip O. Coffin of Washington, D. C.
Alice M. (Meyer) Rodgers of Hamilton

Irving L. Peatfield of Hamilton
Deborah E. Ahlberg of Beverly

Ralph G. Hatt of Hamilton
Gladys M. Hathaway of Hamilton

Charles M. Kirby of Beverly
Marjorie F. Stevens of Hamilton

Anthony Fabrizio of Lynn
Dorothy Hill of Hamilton

Stewart Dove of Hamilton
Mollie McLaughlin of Boston

Arthur G. Farrin Jr. of Newton
Lucy H. Cook of Hamilton

Albert J. Michaud of Hamilton
Mary Cronin of Boston

Ralph DiFrancesco of Topsfield
Mary Maione of Hamilton

Harrie T. Dunbar of Hamilton
 Louise F. Pierce of Lynn

Lester E. Stone of Hamilton
 Myrtle E. Gilbert of Ipswich

Fred C. Morris of Ipswich
 Wilhelmina W. Dodge of Hamilton

Laurence Petersen of Hamilton
 Bertha Lundquist of Hamilton

Lawrence C. Foster of Hamilton
 Doris E. Woodsun of Hamilton

DEATHS RECORDED

| 1927 | | | Yrs. | Mos. | Days |
|-------|----|-----------------------|------|------|------|
| Jan. | 5 | Mary Ann Gregory | 78 | 10 | 29 |
| Jan. | 16 | Grace E. Feener | 0 | 10 | 9 |
| Jan. | 16 | Alexander L. Cochrane | 56 | 8 | 22 |
| Jan. | 18 | George Warren Ayers | 22 | 7 | 1 |
| Jan. | 30 | Lydia P. Dickinson | 80 | 10 | 26 |
| Feb. | 8 | Martha Emeney | 38 | 11 | 24 |
| April | 1 | Hattie A. Lamson | 69 | 0 | 19 |
| April | 2 | Emily A. Goddard | 84 | 10 | 8 |
| April | 8 | Minerva Davis | 85 | 2 | 2 |
| May | 22 | Edwin Barker | 81 | 6 | 10 |
| June | 11 | Ernest G. Colwell | 22 | 3 | 20 |
| June | 14 | Robert H. Chittick | 63 | 2 | 0 |
| June | 25 | Antonio Maione | 52 | 4 | 0 |
| July | 4 | John Bowen | 50 | — | — |

| | | | | |
|---------|---------------------|----|----|----|
| July 12 | Vincent Ostakiewicz | 32 | — | — |
| July 22 | Ansel R. Andrews | 69 | — | — |
| Aug. 6 | Ellen Melvina Swett | 75 | 5 | 12 |
| Aug. 6 | Nettie P. Lander | 53 | 3 | 16 |
| Oct. 4 | Sarah E. Appleton | 59 | — | — |
| Oct. 9 | John C. Thompson | 64 | 6 | 6 |
| Oct. 15 | Leroy S. Dodge | 49 | 11 | 6 |
| Oct. 28 | Frank P. Lander | 58 | 1 | 9 |
| Nov. 13 | Rose Kivlan | 95 | — | — |
| Nov. 19 | William F. Weiler | 66 | 2 | 0 |
| Dec. 3 | Elizabeth Marks | 66 | — | — |

BROUGHT INTO TOWN

Died

1928

| | | | | |
|----------|-------------------|----|----|----|
| Feb. 10 | Grace A. Norris | 55 | — | — |
| Mar. 18 | Jessie Irdell | 26 | 2 | 2 |
| April 13 | Charles J. Morgan | 52 | 11 | 6 |
| April 22 | Elsie Tibbetts | 77 | 7 | 26 |
| May 5 | Charles S. Smith | 68 | 6 | 1 |
| May 15 | Charles S. Gwinn | — | — | — |
| Oct. 23 | Mary R. Henry | 83 | 4 | 27 |

REGISTRATION

The Registrars of Voters met as follows in the year 1928: Four times at the Town Hall and three times at the Engine House, South Hamilton. At these meetings the registration was as follows:

| | |
|-------|-----|
| Men | 106 |
| Women | 129 |

The total number of voters at the close of registration was as follows:

| | |
|-------|-------|
| Men | 560 |
| Women | 497 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | 1,057 |

DOG LICENSES

| | | | | |
|-------------------|-----|---|--------|----------|
| Male | 105 | @ | \$2.00 | \$210 00 |
| Female | 44 | @ | 5.00 | 220 00 |
| Breeders' | 2 | @ | 50.00 | 100 00 |
| Breeders' | 3 | @ | 25.00 | 75 00 |
| | | | | <hr/> |
| Total receipts | | | | \$605 00 |
| Less fees | | | | 30 80 |
| | | | | <hr/> |
| Paid Essex County | | | | \$574 20 |

SPORTING AND TRAPPING LICENSES

| | | | | |
|------------------------------------|----|---|--------|----------|
| Sporting Licenses (Resident) | 92 | @ | \$2.25 | \$207 00 |
| Trapping Licenses (Resident) | 4 | @ | 2.25 | 9 00 |
| Sporting Licenses (Non-Resident) | 3 | @ | 5.25 | 15 75 |
| Trapping Licenses (Non-Resident) | 1 | @ | 5.25 | 5 25 |
| Minors' Trapping | 15 | @ | .75 | 11 25 |
| Duplicate Licenses | 1 | @ | .50 | 50 |
| | | | | <hr/> |
| Total receipts | | | | \$248 75 |
| Less fees | | | | 28 75 |
| | | | | <hr/> |
| Paid Commonwealth of Massachusetts | | | | \$220 00 |

OTHER LICENSES

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Junk Licenses | \$50 00 |
| Common Victualler's | 38 00 |
| Auto (second-hand dealer) | 5 00 |
| Pool and Bowling | 4 00 |
| Auctioneer's Licenses | 4 00 |
| Denatured Alcohol | 3 00 |
| Public Dances | 2 00 |
| Oleo | 1 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Paid Town Treasurer | \$107 00 |

TOWN MEETINGS

Town Meetings in 1928 were as follows:

Annual Town Meeting March 13, 1928.

Appropriations at above meeting as follows:

| | |
|--------------|--------------|
| From Revenue | \$135,315 91 |
| From Surplus | 8,000 00 |
| | <hr/> |

Yours respectfully,

CLARENCE S. KNOWLTON,
Town Clerk.

DEPARTMENT OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

To the Board of Selectmen of Hamilton:

Gentlemen—In compliance with General Laws, Chapter 98, Sec. 34, I herewith submit the annual report of this department for the year 1928.

| | Adjusted | Sealed | Non-Sealed | Con-demned |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|------------|------------|
| Scales: | | | | |
| Platform over 5,000 lbs. | | 1 | | |
| Platform 100 to 5,000 lbs. | 1 | 18 | | |
| Counter 100 to 5,000 lbs. | | 1 | | |
| Counter under 100 lbs. | | 13 | | |
| Beam, under 100 lbs. | | 1 | | |
| Spring, 100 to 5,000 lbs. | | 3 | | |
| Spring, under 100 lbs. | | 13 | | |
| Computing, 100 to 5,000 lbs. | | 1 | | |
| Computing, under 100 lbs. | | 10 | 1 | |
| Personal weighing (slot) | | 1 | | |
| Prescription | | 1 | | |
| Weights: | | | | |
| Avoirdupois | | 143 | | |
| Apothecary | | 42 | | |
| Metric | | 23 | | |
| Capacity Measures: | | | | |
| Liquid | | 90 | 1 | |
| Fuel Baskets | | 8 | | |
| Automatic Measuring Devices: | | | | |
| Gasoline Pumps | 1 | 17 | 1 | 1 |
| Kerosene Pumps | | 7 | | |
| Oil Pumps | | 1 | 18 | |

| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Molasses Pump | 1 |
| Quantity Stops on Pumps | 113 |
| Linear Measures: | |
| Yard Sticks | 5 |

INSPECTIONS AND TEST WEIGHINGS REQUIRED BY LAW

| | Tested | Correct | Under | Over |
|-----------------------|--------|---------|-------|------|
| Bread | 78 | 37 | 3 | 38 |
| Butter | 4 | 4 | | |
| Coal (in transit) | 3 | 2 | | 1 |
| Dry Commodities | 42 | 42 | | |
| Fruits and Vegetables | 50 | 38 | 2 | 10 |
| Ice Scales | 3 | 3 | | |
| Bread Labels | 78 | | | |
| Pedlers' Licenses | 12 | | | |

A permanent record is kept at the Town Hall, showing each test and inspection. About 250 hours were devoted to the work of the department, and more than 325 miles covered in the performance of the duties attached thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

MERRILL S. LOVERING,

Sealer.

LIST OF JURORS, 1929

Frank Dane, Union Street, foreman.
Charles A. Smerage, Rust Street, R. R. conductor.
John E. Cox, Main Street, foreman.
Fred A. Saunders, Railroad Avenue, clerk.
Oscar A. Wood, Bridge Street, carpenter.
Daniel P. McGinley, Park Street, machinist.
Frank L. Bailey, Highland Street, electrician.
Foster E. Tappan, Goodhue Street, farmer.
Earl E. Johnson, Main Street, news agent.
Edward A. Underhill, Main Street, forester.
John J. Crosby, Railroad Avenue, retired.
George H. Sprague, off Bridge Street, farmer.
Jerry F. Hawkins, School Street, foreman.
Raymond C. Gould, Home Street, grocer.
Francis C. Moynihan, Main Street, contractor.
Jonathan Lamson, Highland Street, farmer.
Elmo O. Adams, Plum Street, bank clerk.
George E. Smith, Rust Street, clerk.
A. Merrill Cummings, Mill Street, mechanic.
Rodney H. Adams, Highland Street, farmer.
Arthur C. Kirby, off Walnut Street, chauffeur.

REPORT OF PARK COMMISSION

Feb. 6, 1929.

We have completed the fence along three sides of the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot and feel that a sum of money (\$300) should be appropriated to complete the fourth side this year.

Chebacco Park continues to be used very much by picnickers and campers. We have placed a barrel in a convenient place and request that everyone using this spot clean up the papers and cans, etc., and put them in the barrel before leaving.

We are asking for the same amount (\$350) this year for the upkeep of the Memorial Green and Central Park. The efficient manner in which they have been kept has added greatly to the appearance of the town.

LAWRENCE R. STONE,

CHARLES F. POOLE,

GEORGE G. HARADEN,

Park Commissioners.

REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS

| | |
|--|----------------------|
| Value of buildings | \$3,393,650 00 |
| Value of land | 1,529,635 00 |
| Value of real estate | <hr/> \$4,923,285 00 |
| Value of personal estate | 830,289 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total valuation | \$5,753,574 00 |
| Tax of Real Estate | \$115,204 85 |
| Tax on Personal Estate | 19,428 77 |
| Tax on Polls | 1,294 00 |
| Total Tax Levy | <hr/> \$135,927 62 |
| Moth Assessment | 1,046 10 |
| | <hr/> |
| Total Commitment | \$136,973 72 |
| Rate per thousand | \$23 40 |
| Number of horses | 227 |
| “ “ cows | 110 |
| “ “ neat cattle | 9 |
| “ “ swine | 13 |
| “ “ fowl | 1,604 |
| “ “ acres of land | 8858½ |
| “ “ residents assessed on property | 806 |
| “ “ residents assessed, all other | 90 |
| “ “ non-residents assessed on property | 336 |
| “ “ non-residents assessed, all other | 70 |
| “ “ of polls only | 47 |
| Total number assessed | 1,349 |

EXPENDITURES

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Town appropriations | \$135,315 91 | |
| State Tax | 6,205 00 | |
| State Highway Tax | 2,194 12 | |
| State Audit | 230 80 | |
| County Tax | 8,702 14 | |
| Tuberculosis Hospital Maintenance | 1,043 58 | |
| Overlay | 2,419 67 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total expenditures | | \$156,111 22 |

ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

| | | |
|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Income Tax | \$13,226 60 | |
| Corporation Tax | 2,210 00 | |
| Bank Tax | 698 00 | |
| Licenses | 100 00 | |
| Fines | 50 00 | |
| Special Assessments | 1,200 00 | |
| Protection of life and property | 100 00 | |
| General government | 20 00 | |
| Health and sanitation | 400 00 | |
| Highways | 130 00 | |
| Charities | 800 00 | |
| Soldiers' Benefits | 264 00 | |
| Schools | 10 00 | |
| Libraries | 25 00 | |
| Interest on deposits | 200 00 | |
| Interest on taxes | 500 00 | |
| All other | 250 00 | |
| | <hr/> | |
| Total Estimated Receipts | | \$20,183 60 |

SUMMARY

| | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| Total amount to be raised | | \$156,111 22 |
| Estimated receipts | \$20,183 60 | |
| 647 Polls | 1,294 00 | |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| | | 21,477 60 |
| Tax on Property | | \$134,633 62 |
| Special Moth Assessment | | 1,046 10 |
| 647 Polls | | 1,294 00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Total commitment | | \$136,973 72 |

ABATEMENTS ON REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY

IN 1928

| | |
|-----------|--------|
| Levy 1928 | 111 14 |
| Levy 1927 | 59 50 |
| Levy 1926 | 68 97 |

DECEMBER ASSESSMENT

| | | | |
|--------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|
| \$2.00 Polls | Personals \$2.34 | Real \$53.36 | Total \$57.70 |
|--------------|------------------|--------------|---------------|

ASSESSMENTS MADE IN 1927 AND 1928

IN TAXES

| | <i>Polls</i> | <i>Personal</i> | <i>Real</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|---------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1928 | \$1,294.00 | \$19,428.77 | \$115,204.85 | \$135,927.62 |
| 1927 | 1,284.00 | 19,092.76 | 114,913.33 | 135,290.09 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Gain in taxes | \$10.00 | \$336.01 | \$291.52 | \$637.53 |

IN VALUATION

| | <i>Polls</i> | <i>Personal</i> | <i>Real</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-------------------|--------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1928 | 647 | \$830,289.00 | \$4,923,285.00 | \$5,753,574.00 |
| 1927 | 642 | 802,215.00 | 4,828,284.00 | 5,630,299.00 |
| Gain in valuation | | \$28,074.00 | \$95,001.00 | \$123,075.00 |

PROPERTY EXEMPT FROM TAXATION

Agreeable to Sec. 5, Clause 12, Chapter 59 of General Laws:

| | <i>Personal</i> | <i>Real</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
| Church Property | \$10,000 00 | \$91,900 00 | \$101,900 00 |

Agreeable to Sec. 5, Clause 3, Chapter 59, General Laws:

| Hamilton Housing | <i>Personal</i> | <i>Real</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------|--------------|
| Incorporated, | \$2,500 00 | \$77,000 00 | \$79,500 00 |
| Town Property: | | | |
| Town Hall | \$5,000 00 | \$68,000 00 | \$73,000 00 |
| Schools | 8,000 00 | 99,300 00 | 107,300 00 |
| Weights & Measures | 1,000 00 | | 1,000 00 |
| Fire Department | 8,000 00 | 7,600 00 | 15,600 00 |
| Highway | 6,000 00 | | 6,000 00 |
| Libraries | 3,000 00 | | 3,000 00 |
| Moth Department | 1,200 00 | | 1,200 00 |
| Parks | | 3,000 00 | 3,000 00 |
| Cemetery | | 7,200 00 | 7,200 00 |

(CHAPTER 379)

An Act to provide for an excise tax on registered motor vehicles for the privilege of operating such vehicles up on the high-

ways and to repeal the local property tax on such motor vehicles.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

Section 1. The General Laws are hereby amended by inserting after chapter sixty under the title "Excise Tax on Registered Motor Vehicles in Lieu of Local Tax," the following new chapter:

CHAPTER 60A.

Chapter 60A is so long we omit to print it in full. Will give a brief synopsis of the Act.

The Tax Commissioner sends to the Assessors a list of all cars registered during the year. The Commissioner also furnished a list price of all cars, which price we use in making the valuation.

We are to keep a separate Valuation book, also a separate Commitment book and a special tax file.

No Commitment can be made until the Tax Collector is elected and a bond for the Collector approved by the Tax Commissioner.

Commitments can be made at any time thereafter.

All cars registered during the year are assessed an average state rate; in 1929 rate is \$29.65.

The Valuation made by the Commissioner is as follows:

90% of the list price in the year of manufacture.

60% in the second year.

40% in the third year.

25% in the fourth year.

10% in the fifth and succeeding years.

If a motor vehicle not already taxable is registered after the last day in June of the calendar year, and before the first day of October of each year, the tax hereinbefore established shall be reduced by one-half; or if registered thereafter in each year, by one-fourth; the bill authorizes the Assessors to make proper abate-

ment. This act will increase the duties of the Assessors quite an amount.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
GEORGE E. SAFFORD,
JESSE S. MANN,

Board of Assessors.

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

We have established a new water plant, which includes repairing the old building in which the motor pump and tank is housed, pipes are distributed around the cemetery, with stands located so that it will be convenient to all the lots. Water is to be turned on as soon as danger of freezing is over. In repairing buildings we have made arrangements for a comfort station, which we hope to be able to complete this year. The cost of the plant was \$737.53, adding team work \$9.00, and electric power \$3.00, making total cost \$749.53. We have had set in cement foundations and located at the four corners of the soldiers' lots, the cannons given to this town by the War Department of the U. S. A., at a cost of \$251.55. Repairs were made on the receiving tomb. The building used for the water plant should be painted this year. Some markers are necessary for the single grave lots. We recommend an appropriation of \$1,000.00. The rest of the work done was the ordinary work of the cemetery. The amount in the Special Cemetery Fund is \$1,858.69, and the Endowed lots \$9,881.33. There are 71 endowed lots.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. GIBNEY,
FRANCIS C. NORTON,
GEORGE G. HARADEN,

Cemetery Commissioners.

WARRANT FOR THE ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

1929

ESSEX, ss. *To either of the Constables of the Town of
Hamilton,*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Hamilton, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Tuesday the twelfth day of March, nineteen hundred and twenty-nine (March 12, 1929) at fifteen minutes before six in the forenoon (5.45 o'clock A. M.), then and there to act on the following articles, viz.:

ARTICLE 1. To bring in your ballots for:

Moderator for one year

Town Clerk for one year

Three Selectmen for one year

Three Overseers of Public Welfare for one year

One Assessor for three years

Treasurer for one year

Tax Collector for one year

Tree Warden for one year

Three Constables for one year

One Library Trustee for three years

One Cemetery Commissioner for three years

One Park Commissioner for three years

One member of the School Committee for three years

One Surveyor of Highways for one year

All on one ballot.

The Polls will open at fifteen minutes before six in the

morning (5.45 A. M.) and will close at one o'clock in the afternoon (1 o'clock P. M.). After the close of the Polls the remaining articles of the warrant shall be acted upon.

ARTICLE 2. To choose and appoint all other town officers in such manner as the town shall determine.

ARTICLE 3. To hear the report of the Town Officers and of the Finance and Advisory Committee and other committees, and take any action thereon.

ARTICLE 4. To raise and appropriate money for Schools, Highways and all town expenses and determine the manner of expending the same.

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of \$1,136.79 from Excess and Deficiency to cover the overdraft of the Fire Department for the year 1928.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to purchase Fire Apparatus, to replace the Peerless, and appropriate a sum of money therefor, or take any action thereon, as petitioned for by the Engineers of the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum of money from Excess and Deficiency to cover the overdraft of the Essex Street Appropriation.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will accept Cummings Street, so called, as laid out by the Selectmen and as per plan filed in the Town Clerk's office and appropriate the sum of Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1,200.00) to gravel and grade same, as petitioned for by Mabel F. Simpson and others.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will accept Garfield Avenue, so called, as laid out by the Selectmen, and as per plan on file in the Town Clerk's office and appropriate the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) to construct same, as petitioned for by Arthur W. Jaquith and others.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) to construct a piece of Macadam Highway on Bridge Street, North-easterly from the Railroad Crossing near the junction of Bridge and Woodbury Streets.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$1,800.00 to grade and rebuild Rust Street Extension, so called, to be built under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen, as petitioned for by Everett C. Welch and others.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of Eight Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) to reconstruct Union Street from the Wenham Town Line to Asbury Street, in permanent highway, the same to be let by Public Bid and to be completed by July 1, 1929, as petitioned for by George H. Gibney and others.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to drain to the swamp the overflow from the two catch basins on Asbury Street, near the boundary line between the property of Arthur W. Day and George R. Dodge, as petitioned for by Arthur W. Day and others.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) for Guard Rail and Street Signs.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00) to complete the fence on the Dorothy Winthrop Memorial Lot as petitioned for by the Park Commissioners.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will appropriate the sum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250.00) for the rent of the quarters of the Augustus Peabody Gardner Post No. 194 of the American Legion.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to provide a second light on Western Avenue and appropriate a sum of money therefor as petitioned for by Herbert E. Harraden and others.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to sell or lease the Old East School buildings to the East Hamilton Methodist Episcopal Church Society or take any other action thereon as petitioned for by Robert B. Walsh and others.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will accept the bequest of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) from the late Maxwell Norman and take any further action that the Town may deem necessary in and about the use or disposition of same and the income therefrom.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws of the Town of Hamilton as follows:

To insert after the word "Chap." in the second line of Chapter IX the figure 5, so as to read as follows:

CHAPTER IX

Penalties for Violation

Any person who shall violate any of the provisions of Chap.

5, 6, 7 and 8 of these By-Laws shall forfeit and pay, for each offense, a sum not exceeding Twenty Dollars.

As recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow during the municipal year beginning January 1, 1930, in anticipation of the revenue of said municipal year, such sums of money as may be necessary to meet the current expenses of the Town, giving the note or notes of the Town therefor, any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from revenue of said municipal year.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will authorize the Collector to use all means of collecting taxes which a Town Treasurer when appointed Collector may use agreeable to Chapter 41, Section 37, of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 23. To act on any other matter that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof, one at the Town Hall and one at each of the three post offices in said Town, seven days at least before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands this 11th day of February A. D. 1929.

JONATHAN LAMSON,
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS,
GEORGE E. SMITH.

Selectmen of Hamilton.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

The Trustees of the Public Library submit the following report for the year 1928:

The conduct of the Public Library, both at the rooms in the Town Hall and at the Branch in South Hamilton, has been most satisfactory. Many books have been added and the circulation of over 20,000 has exceeded past records, three-quarters of which number were issued at the Branch.

The trustees again wish to stress the fact that there is such a large percentage of demand for fiction, and trust that the coming year will reflect a greater demand for literature, the reading of which will prove of some lasting educational benefit, and carry out the fundamental purpose and ambition of every public library. This latter suggestion the trustees earnestly hope will bear fruit in the minds of the younger patrons of the Library in the selection of their reading, and the trustees feel that in the years to come, the wisdom of their suggestion will perhaps be better appreciated than now. Cooperation of parents in this recommendation will aid largely in bringing about the desired result.

The trustees have endeavored to fill every reasonable demand for books and periodicals and at the same time retrench in the appropriations, as much as possible. The past year \$2177.60 was expended, and the division of the same indicates that about one-half was expended on books and periodicals, less than \$100 a month, and the other half on salaries, rent, fuel, light and repairs, etc., most of which are fixed charges and cannot be reduced. If the future should bring a new high school in the Town it might very well include

ample space for a General Library, and at the same time effect an annual saving of over \$500, or 25 per cent of the present expenditures.

The Community Room at the Town Hall has repaid well on the investment and continues to be the scene of many enjoyable occasions during the year.

The trustees recommend an appropriation of \$2000 for the coming year, which, with the income from the Dodge and Allen funds, should suffice to carry on the department efficiently.

Detail statistics will be found in the report of the Librarian.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT B. WALSH, *Chairman*

ARTHUR W. CHANDLER,

EDWARD A. UNDERHILL, *Secretary*.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Boston, Mass., February 14, 1929.

To the Trustees of the Public Library:

Gentlemen: My annual report is herewith submitted. The continued growth of the Library in the last year has made necessary the addition of more stacks at the Branch Library. The Main Library is fast outgrowing its quarters at the Town Hall, and the time is looked forward to when the town will be able to have one central building, housing both the Main and Branch Libraries and open every day for the use of the townspeople.

It might be interesting at this time to tell something of the Library. According to old records the Library was opened in the room in the Town Hall, July 1, 1891, having received from the Free Public Library Commission, as a foundation, \$100 worth of books under the provisions of Chapter 347 of the Act of 1890. It was supported by annual appropriations of \$300, and also received generous gifts of books from persons interested in the work of the library.

In 1898, the number of volumes listed was 2,116, and the circulation 3,205. In 1928 there are 11,355 volumes listed and a circulation of 20,371 volumes. The books are judiciously selected and the Library is popular with people. The reading rooms are in constant use and all the popular and best magazines are provided for the use of the readers.

The Library has borrowed from the Salem Public Library and the Beverly Public Library books to be used by students and the public schools, and is also able to borrow through the Massachusetts Division of Public Libraries books of non-fiction.

The demands for fiction continue to be large. There has been added some of the best non-fiction published last year and also 50 new books on the children's list.

There have been two exhibits of pictures loaned the Library by the Woman's Educational Society.

The book circulation the past year was the highest on record and the same was true of the magazine circulation.

The Community Room has been used by 765 persons.

Sincere thanks are extended to all who remembered the Library with gifts of magazines and books.

The Main Library is open Wednesdays and Saturdays; the Branch Library, Tuesdays and Fridays.

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA L. HARADEN,

Librarian.

STATISTICS

| | | | |
|--|--------|---------|--------------|
| Circulation for 1928 | | | 20,371 |
| | 1927 | 1928 | |
| Branch | 15,282 | 14,971 | Loss of 311 |
| Main | 3,787 | 5,400 | Gain of 1713 |
| Magazines | | | |
| Branch | 483 | 614 | Gain 131 |
| Main | 445 | 535 | Gain 90 |
| Added to Library—542 books; gift 18, purchased 524 | | | |
| Sent to Library—490 books | | | |
| Fines collected | | | \$30 82 |
| Branch | | \$20 73 | |
| Main | | \$10 09 | |
| Number of books in the Library December 31, 1928 | | | 11,355 |

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS
AND TAXATION**

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

REPORT OF AN AUDIT

OF

THE ACCOUNTS

OF THE

TOWN OF HAMILTON

FOR

The Year Ending DECEMBER 31, 1928

Made in Accordance with the Provision of
Chapter 44, General Laws

February 13, 1929

REPORT OF AN AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS AND TAXATION

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

STATE HOUSE, BOSTON

February 13, 1929

To the Board of Selectmen

Mr. Jonathan Lamson, *Chairman*
Hamilton, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1928, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws. This report is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Edward H. Fenton, Chief Accountant of this Division.

Very truly yours,

THEODORE N. WADDELL

TNW/AMR

Director of Accounts

REPORT OF EXAMINER

MR. THEODORE N. WADDELL,

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Hamilton for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1928, and submit the following report thereon:—

The financial transactions of the town, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town, were examined and checked with the books and records in the town accountant's office.

The books and accounts in the accountant's office were examined and checked in detail. The records of receipts were checked with the departmental reports and with the treasurer's books, and the recorded payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds and with the records of payment in the treasurer's office.

The appropriation accounts were examined, the appropriations as set up being checked with the town clerk's records of town meetings.

The transfers from the reserve fund were verified with the records of the finance committee.

The classification book and the original vouchers and payrolls on file were examined and checked with the accountant's ledger. The ledger was analyzed, a trial balance was taken off, proving the ledger to be in balance, and a balance sheet,

which is appended to this report, was prepared, showing the financial condition of the town as of December 31, 1928.

In examining the vouchers, it was noted that an appropriation voted in town meeting was paid in total to the local post of The American Legion, there being no itemized voucher on file to support the payment. Section 9, Chapter 40, General Laws, as amended, reads, in part, as follows:

"A city or town may for the purpose of providing suitable headquarters for a post or posts of The American Legion and of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, lease for a period not exceeding five years buildings or parts of buildings which shall be under the direction and control of such post or posts, subject to regulations made in cities by the mayor with the approval of the council and in towns by vote of the town. . . ."

It is recommended that, in the future, payments be made on properly itemized and approved vouchers, and in accordance with the provisions of Section 35, Chapter 41, General Laws, which reads, in part, as follows:

"The town treasurer . . . shall receive and take charge of all money belonging to the town, and pay over and account for the same according to the order of the town or of its authorized officers. No other person shall pay any bill of any department. . . ."

It was further noted that a special appropriation for "Memorial Tablet, Adelaide D. Walsh School," was overdrawn in the amount of eighty dollars, the excess liability incurred being charged to the regular school appropriation. In this connection attention is called to Section 31, Chapter 44, General Laws.

The books and accounts of the treasurer were examined and checked, the recorded receipts being compared with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town

treasury. The payments were checked with the selectmen's warrants and with the accountant's books. The cash on hand was verified by an actual count and by a reconciliation with a statements furnished by the bank.

The payments on account of maturing debt were checked with the cancelled securities on file.

The savings bank books representing the investments of the several trust funds in the custody of the treasurer were examined and checked with the treasurer's and the accountant's books.

Appended to this report are tables showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash and the condition of the several trust funds.

The books of the tax collector were examined and checked. In spite of the recommendations made in the reports of previous audits, the collector has failed to keep his accounts in accordance with the statutes. No cash book was provided for the levy of 1928 and, with the exception of several months' entries in the cash book for the levy of 1927, no entries had been made during the year in the cash books of previous levies. The record of collections was in the form of loose tax-bill stubs and postings in the commitment books. It was found that payments to the treasurer have not been made weekly in accordance with Section 2, Chapter 60, General Laws, as amended by Section 3, Chapter 65, Acts of 1926, and that payments, when made, were unclassified, rendering difficult the accurate recording in the accountant's books.

Inquiries were mailed to all taxpayers whose accounts appeared outstanding on the books, and the replies received claiming payments are being investigated and verified by examination of the receipted tax bills and cancelled checks.

The commitment for the levy of 1928 was analyzed and

reconciled with the warrant issued by the assessors for its collection.

A cash book for the levy of 1928 was obtained and written up from the stubs on file, from postings in the commitment book, for which there were no stubs on file, from checks in the collector's cash on hand, and from the claims mentioned above which have been verified. The cash books of previous levies were written up in a like manner.

The commitment books were posted from the cash book entries and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the collector's books.

The abatements were checked and verified by a comparison with the assessors' record of abatements granted.

A discrepancy exists in the collector's accounts in the amount of \$1,616.79, represented, in part, by a check in the amount of \$1,314.96, which has apparently been lost by the collector, leaving a net discrepancy of \$301.83. The collector has acknowledged the receipt of this check by giving a receipted tax bill, and it is recommended that the payor be notified immediately, so that payment may be stopped and a new check issued. Many claims of payment are in the process of investigation, and the result of this investigation may affect the net discrepancy.

It is again recommended that the collector enter collections in the cash books promptly upon their receipt; that he make an effort to keep the bill stubs in a methodical order, by levies; that he make postings in the commitment books from the cash book entries; and that he classify his payments to the treasurer.

The town clerk's records of licenses issued for dogs and for hunting and fishing were examined, and the payments to the County and State, respectively, were verified by receipts on file. It was found that the cash on hand applicable to these

receipts was deposited in the town clerk's personal bank account, which practice should be discontinued.

The financial records of the selectmen, police, sealer of weights and measures, public scales, library, and the cemetery for the sale of lots, were examined and checked, the payments to the treasurer being verified by a comparison with the treasurer's books.

It was noted that the public weigher retains one-half the fees collected as his compensation, and that the interment fees and receipts from the care of lots in the cemetery department are retained by the superintendent. This practice is contrary to the provisions of Section 53, Chapter 44, General Laws, which reads as follows

"All moneys received by any town officer or department, except as otherwise provided by special acts and except fees provided for by statute, shall be paid by such officer or department upon their receipt into the town treasury. Any sums so paid into the town treasury shall not later be used by such officer of department without a specific appropriation thereof, except that sums allotted to towns for highway purposes by the commonwealth or a county, which shall be used only for the purposes specified by the officials making the allotment or to meet temporary loans issued in anticipation of such allotment as provided in sections six or six A, shall be available therefor without any appropriation."

It is recommended that appropriations be provided for the compensation of the public weigher and the superintendent of the cemetery, and that the departmental receipts be paid into the town treasury according to law.

The surety bonds given by the treasurer, the tax collector, and the town clerk for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the tables previously mentioned, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the tax accounts and the departmental receipts.

For the courtesies extended and the co-operation received from the several town officials during the progress of the audit, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

EDW. H. FENTON,

Chief Accountant.

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RECONCILIATION OF TREASURER'S CASH

| | | |
|---|-------------|--------------|
| Balance January 1, 1928, per cash book, | \$17,614 36 | |
| Receipts, | 269,244 15 | |
| | <hr/> | \$286,858 51 |

| | | |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Payments, | \$272,837 45 | |
| Balance December 31, 1928, | 14,021 06 | |
| | <hr/> | \$286,858 51 |

| | | |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Balance January 1, 1929 | \$14,021 06 | |
| Receipts January 1 to 14, | | |
| 1929, | 18 38 | |
| Cash overage, due to varia- | | |
| tion in bank deposit, | 06 | |
| | | \$14,039 50 |

| | | |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|
| Payments January 1 to 14, | | |
| 1929, per warrant, | \$804 13 | |
| Payment January 1 to 14, | | |
| 1929, without warrant, | | |
| certification of note, | 2 00 | |
| | | \$806 13 |

| | | |
|----------------------------|------------|-------------|
| Balance January 14, 1929: | | |
| Merchants National Bank of | | |
| Salem, per statement, | \$2,903 31 | |
| Merchants National Bank of | | |
| Salem, Savings Dept., | | |
| Book No. 805 | 10,330 00 | |
| Cash in office (verified) | 06 | |
| | | 13,233 37 |
| | <hr/> | \$14,039 50 |

MERCHANTS NATIONAL BANK OF SALEM

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Balance January 14, 1929, per statement | | \$3,529 36 |
| Balance January 14, 1929, per check book | \$2,903 31 | |
| Outstanding checks January 14, 1929, per list | 626 05 | |
| | <hr/> | \$3,529 36 |

TAXES—1924

| | | |
|------------------------------------|--------|---------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1928, | | \$11 35 |
| Payments to treasurer | \$7 15 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928, and | | |
| January 14, 1929, per list, | 4 20 | |
| | <hr/> | \$11 35 |

TAXES—1925

| | | |
|---|---------|---------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1928 | | \$68 93 |
| Payments to treasurer, | \$13 52 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928 | 50 41 | |
| | <hr/> | \$63 93 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1929, | | \$50 41 |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list, | \$14 71 | |
| Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified), | 35 70 | |
| | <hr/> | \$50 41 |

TAXES—1926

| | | |
|---|------------|------------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1928, | | \$8,121 63 |
| Payments to treasurer, | \$3,779 78 | |
| Abatements, | 68 97 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928, | 4,272 88 | |
| | <hr/> | \$8,121 63 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1929, | | \$4,272 88 |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list, | \$4,022 67 | |
| Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified), | 250 21 | |
| | <hr/> | \$4,272 88 |

TAXES—1927

| | | |
|---|-------------|-------------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1928, | \$22,678 36 | |
| Abatement reported twice, adjusted | 3 19 | |
| Payments to treasurer, | 13,650 67 | |
| Abatements, | 71 50 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928, | 8,959 38 | |
| | <hr/> | \$22,681 55 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1929, | \$8,959 38 | |
| Abatement after payment, refunded, | 4 76 | |
| | <hr/> | \$8,964 14 |
| Abatements January 1 to 14, 1929, | \$9 95 | |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list, | 8,156 49 | |
| Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified), | 797 70 | |
| | <hr/> | \$8,964 14 |

TAXES—1928

| | | |
|--|--------------|--------------|
| Commitment per warrant, | \$135,927 62 | |
| Additional commitment, per warrant, | 57 70 | |
| | <hr/> | \$135,985 32 |
| Payments to treasurer, | \$98,413 89 | |
| Abatements, | 117 14 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928, | \$37,454 29 | |
| | <hr/> | \$135,985 32 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1929, | \$37,454 29 | |
| Overpayment, not refunded, | 2 10 | |
| Unidentified receipt per cash book, | 3 17 | |
| | <hr/> | \$37,459 56 |
| Abatement 1928, not reported, adjusted, | \$1 17 | |
| Abatements January 1 to 14, 1929, | 243 23 | |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list, | 26,614 78 | |
| Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified) | 8,983 59 | |
| Due from collector January 14, 1929, | 1,616 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$37,459 56 |

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

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MONTH ASSESSMENTS—1926

| | | |
|---|---------|---------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1928, | | \$79 05 |
| Payments to treasurer, | \$56 14 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928, | 22 91 | |
| | <hr/> | \$79 05 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1929, | | \$22 91 |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, | | \$22 91 |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list, | \$19 59 | |
| Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified), | 3 32 | |
| | <hr/> | \$22 91 |

MONTH ASSESSMENTS—1927

| | | |
|---|----------|----------|
| Outstanding January 1, 1928, | | \$710 71 |
| Payments to treasurer, | \$652 09 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928, | 58 62 | |
| | <hr/> | \$710 71 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1929, | | \$58 62 |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, per list, | \$54 93 | |
| Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified), | 3 69 | |
| | <hr/> | \$58 62 |

MONTH ASSESSMENTS—1928

| | | |
|--------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Commitment per warrant, | | \$1,046 10 |
| Payments to treasurer, | \$575 97 | |
| Outstanding December 31, 1928, | 470 13 | |
| | <hr/> | \$1,046 10 |
| Outstanding January 1, 1929, | | \$470 13 |
| Outstanding January 14, 1929, | \$301 24 | |
| Cash on hand January 14, 1929, | 168 89 | |
| | <hr/> | \$470 12 |

INTEREST ON DEFERRED TAXES

Cash on hand January 1, 1928:

Levy of 1926, \$105 38

Levy of 1927, 69 59

\$174 97

Collections:

Levy of 1924, \$1 21

Levy of 1925, 1 50

Levy of 1926, 17 93

Levy of 1927, 219 07

Levy of 1928, 36 07

275 78

\$450 75

Payments to treasurer,

\$450 75

Collections January 1 to 14, 1920:

Levy of 1925, \$5 94

Levy of 1926, 16 50

Levy of 1927, 16 86

Levy of 1928, 23 52

\$62 82

Cash on hand January 14, 1929 (verified),

\$62 82

SELECTMEN'S LICENSES

Due from town clerk January 1, 1928, \$2 00

Licenses issued:

Common victualler, \$36 00

Alcohol, 3 00

Auctioneers', 4 00

Junk collector, 50 00

Oleomargarine, 1 00

Pool, 4 00

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

95

| | | | |
|------------------------|------|--------|----------|
| Dance, | 2 00 | | |
| Used-car dealer, | 5 00 | | |
| | | 105 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$107 00 |
| Payments to treasurer, | | | \$107 00 |

DOG LICENSES

| | | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|--------|----------|
| Due county treasurer January 1, 1928, | \$56 20 | | |
| Licenses issued: | | | |
| 114 @ \$2.00, | \$228 00 | | |
| 51 @ 5.00, | 255 00 | | |
| 1 @ 25.00 | 25 00 | | |
| 2 @ 50.00, | 100 00 | | |
| | | 608 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$664 20 |

Payments to county treasurer, per receipts on file:

| | | | |
|--------------------|----------|----------|--|
| May 24, 1928, | \$205 00 | | |
| November 24, 1928, | 369 20 | | |
| | | \$574 20 | |

Town clerk fees:

| | | | |
|--|-------|-------|----------|
| 168 @ 20c | 33 60 | | |
| Due county treasurer December 31, 1928 | 56 40 | | |
| | | <hr/> | \$664 20 |

Due county treasurer January 1, 1929, \$56 40

Licenses issued January 1 to 19, 1929:

| | | | |
|-------------|--------|-------|---------|
| 4 @ \$2.00, | \$8 00 | | |
| 1 @ 25.00, | 25 00 | | |
| | | 33 00 | |
| | | <hr/> | \$89 40 |

Town clerk's fees:

| | | | |
|----------|--------|--|--|
| 5 @ 20c, | \$1 00 | | |
|----------|--------|--|--|

*Cash balance January 19, 1929, 88 40

*Deposited in town clerk's personal account.

HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES

Licenses issued:

| | |
|-------------|---------|
| 4 @ \$5.25, | \$21 00 |
| 96 @ 2.25, | 216 00 |
| 15 @ .75, | 11 25 |
| 1 @ .50, | 50 |

 \$248 75

 Payments to Department of Conservation,
 per receipts on file,

\$220 00

Town clerk's fees:

 115 @ 25c,
 28 75

 \$248 75

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Fees for sealing, \$39 98Overpayment to treasurer, 89

 \$40 87

Payments to treasurer,

\$40 87

LIBRARY FINES

Fines, \$30 82Payments to treasurer, \$30 82Fines January 1 to January 21, 1929, \$19 08Payments to treasurer January 1 to 21, 1929, \$18 38Cash on hand January 21, 1929 (verified), 70

 \$19 08

PUBLIC SCALES

Due treasurer January 1, 1928, \$ 15Fees for weighing 6 00

 \$6 15

DIVISION OF ACCOUNTS

97

| | | |
|---|--------|--------|
| Payments to treasurer, | \$3 15 | |
| Fees retained by weigher, | 3 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$6 15 |
| Fees for weighing January 1 to 21, 1929, | | 75 |
| Cash on hand January 21, 1929 (verified), | | 75 |

REVOLVER LICENSES

| | | |
|--------------------------|---------|---------|
| Licenses issued in 1927, | \$12 00 | |
| Licenses issued in 1928, | 12 00 | |
| | <hr/> | \$24 00 |
| Payments to treasurer, | | \$24 00 |

CEMETERY—SALE OF LOTS

| | |
|---|----------|
| Receipts, | \$370 00 |
| Payments to treasurer, deposited in cemetery special fund, | \$370 00 |

H. AUGUSTA DODGE LIBRARY FUND

| | <i>Sav. Deposits</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| On hand at beginning of year 1928, | \$1,000 00 | \$1,000 00 |
| On hand at end of year 1928, | \$1,000 00 | \$1,000 00 |
| <i>Receipts</i> | <i>Payments</i> | |
| Income, \$50 63 | Transferred to town, | \$50 63 |

DR. JUSTIN ALLEN LIBRARY FUND

| | <i>Sav. Deposits</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| On hand at beginning of year 1928, | \$500 00 | \$500 00 |
| On hand at end of year 1928 | 500 00 | 500 00 |
| <i>Receipts</i> | <i>Payments</i> | |
| Income, \$24 29 | Transferred to town, | \$24 29 |

CEMETERY PERPETUAL CARE FUND

| | | <i>Sav. Deposits</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------|--------------|
| On hand at beginning of year 1928, | | \$9,561 14 | \$9,561 14 |
| On hand at end of year 1928, | | \$9,881 33 | \$9,881 33 |
| <i>Receipts</i> | | <i>Payments</i> | |
| Income, | \$454 32 | Added to savings de- | |
| Bequests, | 300 00 | posits, | \$320 19 |
| | <hr/> | Care of lots, | 296 60 |
| | \$754 32 | Transferred to town for | |
| | | cemetery water supply, | 137 53 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | \$754 32 |

CEMETERY SPECIAL FUND

| | | <i>Sav. Deposits</i> | <i>Total</i> |
|------------------------------------|----------|----------------------|--------------|
| On hand at beginning of year 1928, | | \$1,420 74 | \$1,420 74 |
| On hand at end of year 1928, | | \$1,858 60 | \$1,858 69 |
| <i>Receipts</i> | | <i>Payments</i> | |
| Income, | \$67 95 | Added to savings de- | |
| Sale of lots, | 370 00 | posits, | \$437 95 |
| | <hr/> | | <hr/> |
| | \$437 95 | | \$437 95 |

TOWN OF HAMILTON

BALANCE SHEET—DECEMBER 31, 1928

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

Cash:

| | |
|----------------------|-------------|
| In Banks and Office, | \$14,021 06 |
|----------------------|-------------|

Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:

| | | |
|---------------|-----------|-------------|
| Levy of 1924, | \$4 20 | |
| Levy of 1925, | 50 41 | |
| Levy of 1926, | 4,272 88 | |
| Levy of 1927, | 8,959 38 | |
| Levy of 1928, | 37,454 29 | |
| | <hr/> | \$50,741 16 |

Special Assessments:

| | | |
|------------|---------|--------|
| Moth 1926, | \$22 91 | |
| Moth 1927, | 58 62 | |
| Moth 1928, | 470 13 | |
| | <hr/> | 551 66 |

Departmental:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

| | | |
|-------------------|----------|----------|
| State Aid, | \$210 00 | |
| Soldiers' Burial, | 97 00 | |
| Health, | 67 85 | |
| Public Welfare, | 954 50 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,329 35 |

Overdrawn Account (to be appropriated):

| | | |
|-------|----------|-------------|
| Fire, | 1,136 79 | |
| | <hr/> | \$67,780 02 |

LIABILITIES

Temporary Loans:

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| In Anticipation of Revenue, | \$25,000 00 |
| Maxwell Norman Bequest, | 10,330 00 |
| Tailings, | 61 16 |
| Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund Income, | 107 27 |
| H. A. Dodge Library Fund Income, | 9 87 |
| Surplus War Bonus Fund, | 965 37 |
| Unexpended Balance—Essex Street, | 660 44 |

Overlays—Reserved for Abatements of Taxes:

| | | |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| Levy of 1924, | \$4 20 | |
| Levy of 1925, | 50 41 | |
| Levy of 1926, | 1,186 52 | |
| Levy of 1927, | 1,283 84 | |
| Levy of 1928, | 2,302 53 | |
| | <hr/> | 4,827 50 |

Revenue—Reserved until Collected:

| | | |
|---------------------|----------|----------|
| Special Assessment, | \$551 66 | |
| Departmental, | 1,329 35 | |
| | <hr/> | 1,881 01 |

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| Reserve Fund—Overlay Surplus, | 3,874 66 |
| Surplus Revenue, | 20,062 74 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$67,780 02 |

DEBT ACCOUNTS

ASSETS

| | |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Net Funded or Fixed Debt, | \$24,500 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$24,500 00 |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|--|-------------|
| East Schoolhouse Loan, | \$7,000 00 |
| Essex County Tuberculosis Hospital Loan, | 15,000 00 |
| Permanent Highway Loan, | 2,500 00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$24,500 00 |

TRUST FUNDS

ASSETS

| | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| Trust Funds, Cash and Securities, | \$13,240 02 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$13,240 02 |

LIABILITIES

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Dr. Justin Allen Library Fund, | \$500 00 |
| H. Augusta Dodge Library Fund, | 1,000 00 |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds, | 9,881 33 |
| Cemetery Special Fund, | 1,858 69 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$13,240 02 |

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Hamilton, Mass., February, 1929

To the Board of Selectmen of Hamilton:

Gentlemen: I wish to submit my annual report of the Police Department for the year ending December 31, 1928.

Whole number of arrests during the year, 20, divided as follows:

| | |
|---------------|----|
| Male | 20 |
| Adults | 10 |
| Minors | 10 |
| Native born | 15 |
| Foreign born | 5 |
| Residents | 6 |
| Non-residents | 14 |

OFFENSES

| | |
|---|---|
| Larceny during the day | 4 |
| Larceny during the night | 5 |
| Desertion from Navy | 1 |
| Driving so as to endanger lives of the public | 2 |
| Assault | 2 |
| Driving drunk | 2 |
| Drunk | 3 |
| Non-support | 1 |

DISPOSITION

| | |
|---|---|
| Fined and paid | 6 |
| Larceny cases—Prob. 6 months at Shirley, fine and cost of Court \$27.50 each | 3 |
| Larceny cases filed | 3 |
| Larceny case of bicycle for Essex police | 1 |
| Non-support—Five dollars a week for support of child | 1 |
| Drunk—Paid Ipswich Court five dollars | 1 |
| Driving drunk—Fined \$100.00 each | 2 |
| Desertion from Navy—Apprehended and returned to Charlestown Navy Yard | 1 |
| Driving so as to endanger lives of the public— Fined \$20 | 2 |

ARRESTS MADE BY OFFICERS

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Arthur Southwick | 12 |
| A. L. Perley | 2 |
| Fred Saunders | 2 |
| Fred Stillings | 3 |
| Edward Frederick | 1 |

OFFICERS' ATTENDANCE AT COURT

| | |
|------------------|----|
| Arthur Southwick | 32 |
| A. L. Perley | 9 |
| Edward Frederick | 4 |
| Fred Stillings | 8 |
| Frank Dever | 4 |
| Benjamin Dodge | 2 |
| Fred Saunders | 2 |

COMPLAINTS INVESTIGATED

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Arthur Southwick | 169 |
| A. L. Perley | 46 |
| Fred Stillings | 18 |
| Fred Saunders | 22 |
| Edward Fredericks | 6 |
| Frank Dever | 16 |
| William Caldwell | 2 |

SUPERIOR COURT

| | |
|-----------------|---|
| Cases on docket | 1 |
|-----------------|---|

Automobile licenses and registrations revoked or suspended during the year 1928 in Hamilton by George A. Parker, Registrar of Motor Vehicles:

| | |
|-----------------------|----|
| Licenses revoked | 5 |
| Licenses suspended | 2 |
| Registrations revoked | 10 |

Number of motor vehicle accidents in Hamilton where persons were injured, during the year 1928, reported to police, 16

Number of motor vehicle accidents in Hamilton during the year 1928, property damage only, reported to police, 32

Number of revolver licenses issued by police to carry a pistol or revolver in the State of Massachusetts, during the year 1928, 26

Number of notices of intended sale or transfer of motor vehicles issued by the Hamilton police during the year 1928, on forms supplied by George A. Parker, 104

MISCELLANEOUS

| | |
|---|-------|
| Automobiles reported stolen | 20 |
| Automobiles stolen in town | 3 |
| Automobiles recovered | 9 |
| Automobile tires stolen | 7 |
| Other property reported stolen or lost, value about | \$800 |
| Other property found and recovered, value about | \$500 |
| Complaints received | 281 |
| Complaints investigated | 277 |
| Fires extinguished | 2 |
| Disturbances | 12 |
| Dogs reported lost or stolen | 32 |
| Dogs found and returned | 4 |
| Dogs killed | 12 |
| Lights reported out | 42 |
| Summons served for out-of-town officers | 17 |
| Dangerous wires reported or removed | 4 |
| Accidents reported | 32 |
| Persons received assistance | 8 |
| Police assistance to out-of-town officers | 28 |
| Police assistance by out-of-town officers | 16 |
| Court attendance for 1928 | 61 |
| Report to Prison Commission | 1 |
| Report to Highway Commission | 6 |
| Letters, postal cards, and notices sent out, about | 106 |
| Letters, postal cards, and notices received, about | 321 |
| Persons drowned | 3 |
| Persons saved from drowning | 2 |

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR SOUTHWICK,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Hamilton, Mass., Jan. 25, 1929.

To the Board of Selectmen,

Gentlemen:— The Board of Engineers of the Fire Department herewith submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1928.

One cistern has been constructed on Asbury Street, near the residence of Mr. S. G. Goodhue; we now have six in service.

The subject of fires should always be of serious import to the citizens. The department responded to forty-four alarms in Hamilton, and two calls for assistance from Wenham during 1928; sixteen alarms, or more than fifty per cent increase over 1927, during which year we answered thirty calls. We should stop for a moment and consider the situation. What is the cause? We find by analysis that of the forty-four alarms in Hamilton, eight were for chimney fires; nine, fires in buildings; seventeen were for grass or brush; one automobile; five rekindles and four were false or for no fire.

The only solution which we might recommend is that every person be more careful as regards conditions which make or cause fire; keep the chimney clean, do not start any grass or brush fire that cannot be controlled; permits are necessary for a fire out of doors, and then only if conditions are right and the law in relation thereto is complied with, otherwise you may be called on to pay for damage to your neighbors property. Have your electric wiring examined for defects, clean up the rubbish around the house and grounds, they are

all fire breeders and should be taken care of. The smaller the number of alarms answered, the lower the cost of the department.

This morning we received from the Department of Public Safety, the following communication, which we reprint as part of this report.

State House, Boston, Jan. 21, 1929.

To: WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Subject: Order in accordance with provisions of Chapter 277, Section 3, Acts of 1928.

1. Chapter 277, Section 3, Acts of 1928, reads as follows: Section 3. Said chapter one hundred and forty-eight is hereby further amended by inserting after section seven the following new section:— Section 7A. The marshal, the chiefs of fire departments in cities, and the chief engineer in towns or the chairman of the board of selectmen in any town having no engineer, may by order, which shall not apply to one-family dwellings, (1) require the use of metal receptacles for ashes, waste paper and rubbish; (2) require the use of self-closing safety cans for volatile or inflammable fluids or compounds; (3) require oily rags and waste, when not in actual use, to be stored in metal containers with self-closing covers and riveted joints, the container to be raised at least four inches above the floor on metal legs; and (4) prohibit the use of rubber tubing as connections for lamps, stoves and irons using inflammable gas for fuel, except such flexible rubber-covered metal tubing as may be approved by the commissioner. Any violation of any order under this section shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten nor more than fifty dollars for each consecutive forty-eight hours during which such violation continues.

Approved May 1, 1928.

2. In accordance with the provisions of the said section, I hereby prohibit the use of rubber tubing as connections for lamps, stoves and irons using inflammable gas for fuel, except such flexible rubber covered metal tubing as may be approved by the Commissioner of Public Safety and which bears a label, mark or stamp indicating such approval.

3. By virtue of the provisions of the above cited chapter and section this order shall not apply to one-family dwellings.

GEO. C. NEAL,

State Fire Marshal.

We call your particular attention to paragraph two of this letter. With the installation of gas in Hamilton it will be necessary that you use only the right tubing on gas appliances.

The Engineers ask your consideration of an appropriation for apparatus to replace the Peerless Combination now in service. The time has arrived when we deem it wise to make a change. The present apparatus has about completed its life of service; if a major part should break, we would not be able to replace it, except at prohibitive cost and time out of service. The Peerless Company have discontinued manufacturing this model and any part needed must be made to order. We leave it to your judgment what we shall receive.

The department have responded to eight still and thirty-eight bell alarms during 1928, appended report of which follows,—

| <i>Date</i> | <i>Dist.</i> | <i>Location</i> | <i>Owner</i> | <i>Description</i> |
|-------------|--------------|-------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Jan. 2 23 | Farms Rd. | Richard H. Smith, | chimney | |
| 3 23 | Main St. | Episcopal Church, | chimney | |
| 7 21 | Asbury St. | Episcopal Church, | grass | |

| | | | | |
|------|----|-------|---|-----------------------------------|
| Feb. | 3 | 31 | Asbury St. | Mrs. M. E. Hurlburt, chimney |
| | 29 | 21 | Gail Ave. | B. Tuckerman, Jr., chimney |
| | 29 | 3-3 | Wenham | |
| Mar. | 1 | | False | |
| | 1 | 31 | Asbury St. | Mrs. Maione, chimney |
| | 4 | 13 | Bridge St. | F. Ayers, grass |
| | 18 | 32 | Highland St. | R. Adams, chimney |
| | 21 | 24 | Main St. | C. C. Felton, grass |
| | 22 | 31 | Arthur Ave. | Mrs. G. D. Grant, house |
| | 22 | 31 | Arthur Ave. | Mrs. G. D. Grant, rekindle |
| | 24 | 21 | Main St. | A. C. Cummings, no fire |
| | 28 | 13 | Bridge St. | F. Ayers and others, woods, brush |
| | 29 | 23 | Main St. | grass |
| | 29 | 21 | Main St. | A. C. Burrage, Jr., grass |
| | 30 | 13 | East Hamilton | No fire |
| Apr. | 2 | still | Bridge St. | G. S. Mandell, grass |
| | 4 | 25 | Farms Rd. | J. S. Greiss, grass and brush |
| | 5 | | False | |
| | 5 | 21 | Maple St. | Mrs. P. Saulnier, grass |
| | 7 | 23 | Main St. | F. P. Trussell, grass |
| | 9 | 21 | Asbury St. | S. G. Goodhue, chimney |
| | 9 | 21 | Main St. | Myopia Club, grass |
| | 13 | 21 | Main St. | G. C. Vaughan, grass |
| | 16 | 14 | Echo Cove | grass |
| | 27 | | Moulton St. | grass |
| May | 6 | 23 | Main St., Mrs. G. v. L. Meyer, brush, building | |
| | 8 | 25 | Farms Rd. | Appleton Farms, grass |
| | 11 | 21 | Elliott St. | Thomas Sargent, house |
| June | 4 | 3-3 | Wenham | |
| | 16 | still | Essex Branch R. R. tracks | grass |
| | 24 | 21 | Pleasant St., T. F. Hansbury, rubbish in cellar | |

| | | | | |
|------|----|-------|------------------|------------------------------|
| July | 3 | 23 | Near Myopia | Est. M. Norman, old building |
| | 3 | 25 | Farms Rd. | F. T. Colby, building |
| | 3 | still | Miles River Rd. | Est. H. C. Perkins, building |
| | 7 | still | Miles River Rd. | Est. H. C. Perkins, rekindle |
| | 8 | still | Miles River Rd. | Est. H. C. Perkins, rekindle |
| | 19 | 24 | Gardner St. | G. C. Vaughan, automobile |
| Oct. | 14 | still | Sagamore St. | E. Stone, chimney |
| Nov. | 2 | 23 | Main St. | G. von L. Meyer, brush |
| | 4 | 21 | Union St. | G. C. Adams, building |
| | 5 | still | Union St. | G. C. Adams, rekindle |
| | 11 | still | Miles River Road | Myopia Club, grass |
| Dec. | 25 | still | Holmes St. | L. H. Cushman, chimney |

Respectfully submitted,

CHESTER H. KNOWLES,
HARRY R. MCGREGOR,
LESTER M. WHIPPLE,
RODNEY ADAMS,
FRANK DANE.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

To the Citizens of the Town of Hamilton:—

At the Annual Town Meeting the Town voted an appropriation of \$5,000. for permanent road construction on Essex Street. This completes Essex Street from the Essex line to the Wenham line. This road has been built in conjunction with State and County which means that the Town has had to pay only one-third of the cost of construction. Owing to circumstances out of our control the Town will be unable to build permanent road under this arrangement until 1930.

The vote of the Town for drainage on Pleasant and Elliott Streets and for the construction of Railroad Avenue has been carried out. This drainage has relieved a bad condition of long standing and the Town now has a fine street through the business district. We hope the Town will continue the policy of building permanent highway as far as possible. We feel that permanent construction of the main thoroughfares will result in a considerable saving to the Town.

In the past few years there has been overdrafts in several departments that are under our jurisdiction. While the law permits our Board to authorize overdrafts in extreme emergencies involving the safety of persons and property, we feel that these recurring overdrafts indicate that these departments are not receiving sufficient appropriations to maintain them at complete efficiency.

The Board of Selectmen take this opportunity of thanking Mrs. C. C. Williams for her kindness in presenting to the Town

the beautiful memorial tablet commemorating those from this Town who served their country in the World War and in honor of our illustrious citizen the late Augustus Peabody Gardner.

We have at hand a fund of \$10,000. bequeathed us by our former resident, the late Maxwell Norman, who by his generosity showed his interest in this Town. We hope that the Town will not make permanent disposition of this fund until such time as opportunity offers itself to perpetuate his memory in a suitable manner.

Yours respectfully,

JONATHAN LAMSON,
ARTHUR C. CUMMINGS,
GEORGE E. SMITH,

Selectmen of Hamilton.

TOWN OF HAMILTON
REPORT
OF THE
Finance and Advisory Committee
ON THE
Appropriations and Articles
FOR THE
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING
MARCH 12, 1929



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REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

We submit our recommendations for your support at the Town Meeting and reminding you that it is at this meeting and by your vote that the tax rate is fixed.

We endeavor each year to keep expenses down—to cut expenses here and there where we are convinced that the efficiency of the particular department is not thereby impaired.

It is our belief that the schools could be operated more efficiently for less money. A survey of other comparable towns vindicates this opinion and the School Committee, in whose hands the management should rest, is urged to give the matter serious consideration.

It has been and still is our opinion, that highway maintenance can and should be annually reduced by a policy of constructing permanent pieces of road each year. In the last few years good progress has been made along these lines for we have Essex Street, Railroad Avenue, Willow Street, part of Bridge Street, on which many thousands used to be spent on annual maintainance. The construction of Bridge Street, east of the railroad, this year will eliminate another large maintainance charge, some \$2500 the Surveyor told us.

In view of the low expense of snow removal this year, it is possible to again appropriate the same amount as last year for highway work and we recommend (on account of maintainance economies above mentioned) the reduction of the amount

expended on "labor and gravel," and urge \$20,000. being spent on an 18-foot "permanent" piece of construction on Bridge Street. Union Street is not in such bad shape but that it can wait. A better job can be done and a better price obtained if a substantial sum is spent on one section of road rather than dividing it into two jobs.

Assurances have been given that the State and County will initiate a program of reconstruction of Highland Street in 1930 to which the town will subscribe its share.

We believe that the amount allotted to general maintainance is sufficient provided adequate use is made of the roller and scarifier. The economies and benefits which this investment in a new roller was supposed to bring about, have not as yet fully materialized.

It is recommended that the new Fire Truck* be purchased by a committee of three appointed by the Moderator.

It is suggested that a pay station be installed in the cellar of the Town Hall.

An inventory of the equipment (and date of purchase) that is the property of the town should be submitted annually by the various departments, to be on file with the Town Clerk.

There are in the town a number of separate departments, which, in our opinion, could be combined. This would result in increased efficiency, and make a substantial saving in salaries.

While the salary for the consolidated department would be larger, still it would not equal the total of the separate departments.

For an example, the office of tax collector and town treasurer could be combined, which would also mean a saving of interest on surety bonds, as probably one bond would then cover both positions.

After careful study and advice from the State House, we advise placing the assessors on a salary basis in lieu of a per diem basis.

We compliment the fire department individually and collectively for their public-spirited work and efficiency in fire fighting.

The number of fires is regrettable and it is the duty of each and every one of us to work for fire prevention, and the duty of the Fire Engineers to study ways and means of reducing the number of fires. This may involve fines for unlawful or careless fires, and ordinances, education, etc., but definite preventative measures should be taken.

The list of the appropriation recommendations follows:

| | Spent 1927 | Spent 1928 | Recommended 1929 Salaries | General | Total |
|--------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|----------|------------|
| Selectmen | | | \$350.00 | | |
| | | | 250.00 | | |
| | \$1,196.01 | \$1,181.80 | 250.00 | \$400.00 | \$1,250.00 |
| Accounting | 1,267.52 | 1,298.51 | 1,200.00 | 100.00 | 1,300.00 |
| Treasury | 896.17 | 944.25 | 750.00 | 200.00 | 950.00 |
| Collector | 870.97 | 881.39 | 600.00 | 300.00 | 900.00 |
| Assessors | | | 350.00 | | |
| | | | 225.00 | | |
| | 1,499.30 | 1,497.81 | 225.00 | 700.00 | 1,500.00 |
| Cert. of notes | 10.00 | 12.00 | | | 20.00 |
| Law | 200.00 | 200.00 | 200.00 | .... | 200.00 |
| Town Clerk | 627.47 | 641.96 | 500.00 | 150.00 | 650.00 |
| Elec. and Reg. | 472.07 | 949.82 | .... | .... | 500.00 |
| Town Hall | 2,103.32 | 2,174.10 | .... | .... | 2,200.00 |
| Police | 2,151.99 | 2,032.22 | .... | .... | 2,000.00 |
| Fire | 3,130.26 | 3,440.84 | .... | 2,800.00 | 2,800.00 |
| *Fire truck—body and equip. | ..... | ..... | .... | .... | 3,000.00 |
| Sealer | 299.97 | 295.61 | | | 350.00 |
| Moth, Town | 2,199.53 | 2,199.60 | | | 2,200.00 |
| Moth, Private | 1,499.22 | 1,498.37 | | | 1,500.00 |
| Tree Warden | 499.60 | 517.51 | | | 500.00 |

| | Spent 1927 | Spent 1928 | Recommended 1929 | | |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | Salaries | General | Total |
| Forest Warden | 162.10 | 123.76 | 25.00 | 100.00 | 150.00 |
| Health | 1,798.82 | 1,747.18 | 100.00 | 2,500.00 | 2,600.00 |
| Insp. of Animals | 47.25 | 43.16 | | | 75.00 |
| Highways | 21,536.52 | 16,491.24 | 1,500.00 | 12,500.00 | 14,000.00 |
| Special | 17,305.74 | 25,000.00 | .... | .... | .... |
| Snow | 9,380.91 | 3,768.83 | | | 3,000.00 |
| Street Lights | 7,812.20 | 7,843.12 | | | 7,900.00 |
| Public welfare | 3,626.06 | 3,972.91 | 50.00 | 3,900.00 | 4,000.00 |
| | | | 25.00 | | |
| | | | 25.00 | | |
| State Aid | 264.00 | 309.00 | | | 300.00 |
| Soldiers' Relief | 550.33 | 905.64 | | | 800.00 |
| Schools | 44,944.31 | 47,022.97 | | | 45,000.00 |
| Public Library | 2,008.58 | 2,177.60 | | | 2,000.00 |
| Parks | 349.70 | 349.85 | | | 350.00 |
| Memorial Day | 250.00 | 261.57 | | | 300.00 |
| Town Reports | 386.87 | 379.30 | | | 400.00 |
| Town Clock | 25.00 | 25.00 | | | 50.00 |
| Amer. Legion | 250.00 | 250.00 | | | 250.00 |
| Boiler Ins. | 41.39 | 103.52 | | | 75.00 |
| Game Warden | 10.00 | 10.00 | | | 15.00 |
| Reserve Fund | 2,897.64 | 2,895.20 | | | 3,000.00 |
| Cemetery | 884.75 | 1,072.65 | 15.00 | 855.00 | 900.00 |
| | | | 15.00 | | |
| | | | 15.00 | | |
| Interest | 3,783.94 | 3,517.87 | | | 3,900.00 |
| Maturing Debt | 5,000.00 | 5,000.00 | | | 4,500.00 |
| Total Spent | \$142,239.51 | \$143,036.16 | | | |

| <i>Warrants</i> | <i>Requested</i> | |
|------------------------------------|------------------|------------|
| No. 5 Approved | | \$1,136.79 |
| No. 6 (See General Appropriations) | | |
| No. 7 Essex approved | | |
| No. 8 Cummings approved | \$1,200.00 | \$1,200.00 |
| To be contracted for by Selectmen | | |
| No. 9 Garfield approved | 2,000.00 | 2,000.00 |
| To be contracted for by Selectmen | | |
| No. 10 Bridge approved | 15,000.00 | 20,000.00 |
| To be contracted for by Selectmen | | |
| No. 11 Rust approved | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 |
| To be contracted for by Selectmen | | |

| <i>Warrants</i> | <i>Requested</i> | |
|--|------------------|--------------|
| No. 12 Union not approved | 8,500.00 | |
| No. 13 Swamp approved | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| No. 14 Signs and rails approved | \$1,000.00 | 1,000.00 |
| To be contracted for by Selectmen | | |
| No. 15 Winthrop Park fence | 300.00 | 300.00 |
| No. 17 and No. 18 Approved | | |
| No. 19 Max Norman gift. (Vote to accept) | | |
| Nos. 20, 21, 22 Approved | | |
| Total appropriated | | \$143,121.79 |

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

G. v. L. MEYER, *Chairman*J. C. R. PEABODY, *Vice-Chairman*L. A. HASKELL, *Secretary*

WM. W. BANCROFT

FINLAY D. MACDONALD

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF HAMILTON
FOR THE YEAR
1928



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REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Hamilton:

The School Committee presents herewith its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1928.

The work of the schools has been carried on as usual, with some improvements adopted in the system.

In general the buildings are in good repair, except that the roof of the Walsh School needs some attention, and we would also like to relay a portion of the asbestos slate roof on the South School if our funds permit it.

We are still lacking space for indoor athletic work and physical instruction, but hope to find some means of providing the above in the near future.

The year just finished is the last under the Superintendency Union of Topsfield, Essex, Wenham, Lynnfield and Hamilton.

At a meeting of the Union in December it was voted to allow Essex to withdraw for the purpose of joining with Manchester, in order that Essex might have more supervision.

Under the new arrangement, Hamilton is taking a quarter of the time that Essex had, Topsfield a quarter, and Lynnfield a half, and we feel that all of the towns will be greatly benefited.

The following reports of the Superintendent, Principal, and others, contains much information of interest to all citizens.

Last year the Committee asked for an appropriation of \$46,665.00. While the appropriation cannot vary much from year to year, as it is made up largely of salaries and supplies of fixed amounts, the Committee recommends that the sum of \$46,115.00 be appropriated for the maintenance of the schools for the present year.

Respectfully submitted,

R. ROBERTSON, JR., *Chairman.*

L. G. BUSH, *Secretary.*

C. E. READY.

Hamilton, Mass., February 1, 1929.

School Committee.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee:

Dear Madam and Sirs: I herewith submit my sixth annual report as superintendent of your schools.

For the information of the taxpayers I have devoted the principal part of the report to questions and answers relating to our school system.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

In particular reference to the Hamilton Schools.

What is the population of Hamilton?
2,018 according to census of 1925.

How many children of school age, i. e., between 5 and 16?
384.

How many children enrolled in public schools December 21, 1928?

Grades 1-6 244

Grades 7-12 158

Total 1-12 402

What children does the law compel to attend school?
Those between 7 and 16, but a child of 14 may leave under certain conditions to go to work if he has completed the sixth grade.

At what age may a child enter school?
Must be five years of age April 1st preceding his enrollment in September.

ADMINISTRATION

How many members on the School Committee?

Three one being elected annually.

When does the committee meet?

Monthly and more often as occasion demands.

What are the duties of the School Committee?

It has entire charge of the schools. It adopts the budget, determines how it shall be expended, elects teachers, authorizes repairs, considers and approves changes in school organization and courses of study, and is the controlling authority under the law, on all matters pertaining to the schools. It appoints the superintendent of schools as its executive officer and holds him responsible for carrying out the policies of the committee and for directing and supervising the work and conduct of all persons employed by the committee.

How many school buildings in Hamilton?

Two. The Adelaide Dodge Walsh School at East Hamilton and the South School, with two two-room annexes at South Hamilton.

How many persons are regularly employed by the school committee?

The following

| | |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Superintendent of Schools | 1 |
| Clerk | 1 |
| Teachers, Jr. Sr. high schools | 10 |
| Teachers, Elementary school | 8 |
| Supervisors—music and drawing | 2 |
| School Nurse | 1 |
| School Physician | 1 |

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|----------------|---|
| Janitors | 3 |
| Barge Drivers | 2 |
| Truant Officer | 1 |

ORGANIZATION

How are schools organized

Under the 6-3-3 plan, i. e., six years in the elementary schools, three in the junior high and three in the senior high.

Is this plan up-to-date?

Yes, it is considered as the most up-to-date plan.

Are there many junior high schools in Massachusetts?

There are 170 junior high schools. 77,824 pupils were in junior high schools in 1928.

What is our plan of promotion?

Promotions are made annually. In a few cases double promotions are made during the year. Approximately 98% of the towns in the state have annual promotions.

The law requires what subjects to be taught in the elementary grades?

Reading, writing, spelling, English language and grammar, geography, arithmetic, drawing, history and the constitution of the United States, civics, physiology and hygiene, good-behavior, indoor and outdoor games and athletic exercises.

What other subjects are now taught in the schools?

Music, manual training, sewing and cooking, safety education, thrift.

What subjects may be taught in the high school?

Any subject the school committee wishes taught. However, in

making up the list of subjects to be taught the committee is influenced by the requirements necessary for admittance to the higher institutions of learning. Hamilton High School offers three courses:—College, Commercial and General.

Is a kindergarten maintained?

No. Doubtless there would not be a sufficient number of children for a class.

Is special provision made for mentally retarded children?

No separate class is maintained. These children are given special attention by the teachers whenever possible.

Is an evening school maintained?

No. The law does not require one to be maintained in Hamilton. If there was sufficient demand for one the school committee might establish one. Beverly evening school is open to Hamilton students.

Is a continuation school maintained?

No. The law does not require one to be maintained in Hamilton.

Is an Americanization class maintained?

No. There seems to be no demand for such.

Is provision made for those desiring to take vocational courses?

Yes, tuition is paid for those pursuing vocational courses.

SCHOOL COSTS

Who determines the amount of money to be spent on schools?

The people of the town determine this through the annual appropriation.

What was the school appropriation for 1928?

It was \$47,050.89 including the dog tax in 1928.

What percent of the total appropriation for the town is for the schools?

34%

Note: Questions and answers following are based upon returns as given in Annual Report of State Department of Education Part II, for fiscal year ending June 30, 1928.

What percent of the school expenditures was for teachers' salaries?

In Hamilton 59%. In the state 59%.

What was the per pupil cost for teaching?

In Hamilton \$69.44. In the state \$67.53.

What was the per pupil cost for text-books and supplies?

In Hamilton \$6.53. In the state \$4.61.

What did General Control cost per pupil?

In Hamilton \$4.65. In the state \$3.62.

What did operation of the plant cost per pupil?

In Hamilton \$9.24. In the state \$10.47.

What was the per pupil cost for repairs, replacement, and up-keep?

In Hamilton \$4.87. In the state \$5.01.

What was the total per pupil cost for high school education?

In Hamilton \$188.65. In the state \$133.82. It invariably costs more per pupil in a small high school than in a large one.

What was the total per pupil cost for elementary education?
In Hamilton \$88.61. In the State \$83.64.

What was the total cost per pupil, both high and elementary?
In Hamilton \$116.55. In the state \$114.05.

STATE REIMBURSEMENTS

Does the State reimburse the town for any part of its expenditures for maintenance of schools?

Yes. From the State General School Fund a part of the income tax is returned annually. This reimbursement is determined by the training, experience and salary of each teacher.

What was the amount due the town of Hamilton from the above fund in 1928?

\$3,500.00

What measures in a degree how much a town can afford to appropriate for maintenance of its public schools?

The valuation of the town per pupil.

What is the valuation per pupil in average membership?

In Hamilton \$14,670. In the state \$10,245.

What is the rank in valuation per pupil, of Hamilton?

It ranks 37th among the 355 cities and towns in the commonwealth.

How does Hamilton rank in expenditure per pupil from local taxation?

It ranks 40th among the 355 cities and towns in the commonwealth.

Doubtless those having read this report will feel that "the schools are a great expense." I agree that the schools are an expense, but when one considers what is given in return for the expenditure I cannot agree that the expense is too great.

What do we give every pupil in return for the expenditure made annually to educate him?

Schooling for about 185 days. Transportation to and from school, as necessary in a suitable conveyance and under the best of supervision. Housing in a building well heated, ventilated, lighted and having reasonably satisfactory sanitary conditions. A playground suitable for outdoor exercises though not large enough for regular athletic games. Free text-books and necessary supplies to carry out an up-to-date program of studies. Special supervisors for Music and Art, medical inspection and supervision of health of all children. Special clinics for those mentally handicapped and physically weak. An opportunity to pursue a high school course fitting for admission to Colleges and Normal schools. Our high school has certificate privileges to all colleges allowing applicants to enter on that basis, and the school is rated "Class A" by the State Department of Education. Instruction, supervision and guidance by an able corps of teachers under whose care parents should feel it a privilege to have their children during the most impressionable years of their life.

The above tends to keep practically all of our children in school until they have completed the junior high school course, with a result that the greater majority of them continue through the senior high school.

To a large number the Colleges, Normal schools and trade schools offer the opportunity to pursue courses fitting them for their life's occupation. Notwithstanding opinions to the

contrary, I believe these pupils are fitted, as no other generation has been, to assume the responsibilities of citizenship.

It is not enough that our children be trained merely to assume the responsibilities of childhood. They must be prepared to assume the responsibilities of a very complex life.

A quotation from one of our leaders in national affairs—President-elect Hoover—has the following to say regarding the importance of the school. “But after all, our schools do more than merely transmit knowledge and training; they are America itself in miniature, where in purer air and under wise guidance, a whole life of citizenship is lived experimentally, with its social contacts, its recreations, its ethical problems, its political practices, its duties and its rewards. Ideals are developed that shape the whole adult life. Experience is gained that is valuable for all the years of maturity. I would be one of the last people in the world to belittle the importance of the exact knowledge that teachers impart to their pupils—as an engineer I set a high value upon precise information—but knowledge, however exact, is secondary to a trained mind and serves no useful purpose unless it is the servant of an ambitious mind, a sound character, and an idealistic spirit. Social values outrank economic values. Economic gains, even scientific gains, are worse than useless if they accrue to a people unfitted by trained character to use and not abuse them.”

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A small percentage of failures of promotion throughout the system. Adoption of:

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|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Sheridan Language Series | grades 1-6 |
| Thought Test Readers | “ 1-3 |
| Directed History Study Outlines | “ 6-8 |
| New Texts in Hygiene and Physiology | “ 1-7 |

| | | |
|--------------------------------|---|-----|
| Manuals for Physical Education | " | 1-6 |
| Manuals for Safety Education | " | 1-6 |
| Drill Exercises in English | " | 8-9 |
| Literature Text | " | 7 |

Additional books to supplement those already in use throughout the schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Adoption of more up-to-date basal systems in reading and writing.

A sufficient appropriation to complete the relaying of slate on the South School.

Purchase of a piano for use at the South School to replace an old organ.

The exchange of least two typewriters.

CONCLUSION

The fine influence the schools are having on the youth of the town is due to the interest and co-operation of parents, school committee and teachers, all of which is greatly appreciated by your superintendent.

Respectfully submitted,

J. D. WHITTIER.

Superintendent of Schools.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir: For your consideration and information, I submit the following, my third annual report as Principal of the Hamilton Junior-Senior High School.

The total enrollment of the Junior-Senior High School for the school year 1928-1929 is 165, divided as follows: Junior 1, 40; Junior 2, 36; Junior 3, 36; Senior 1, 19, Senior 2, 19; Senior 3, 15. Excepting for transfers there has been but one withdrawal since the opening of school in September. This enrollment is commendable and is about the same as we have had during the past three years.

The State Department of Education has recognized the standard of excellence we have tried to maintain, and has again placed us in "Class A" rank (the highest), with full certificate privilege to normal schools. If a student wishes to prepare for college, he may be sure that he has only himself to blame if he cannot pass his examinations at the end of four years. In spite of the fact that it is becoming increasingly difficult to get into college, and more difficult to stay there, reports from colleges where our graduates are enrolled show that all of our pupils are maintaining a high scholarship. Getting into college is a co-operative effort between teacher and pupil. Even the brightest pupils find themselves far better prepared after an additional year of study. Too often pupils will not do their share. Good text-books and expert teaching will not in themselves give adequate education. To them, must be added the enthusiastic and earnest endeavor of the pupil. Every individual must work out his own destiny, as Euclid declared to the tyrant of Syracuse, "There is no royal road to

learning." It can be reached by many pathways, but the pupil himself must put forth the efforts needed in climbing.

Educators have agreed for some time that reports of school work sent to parents should be more informative than those generally used. With this in mind, we have devised a new type of report card which we hope is proving its worth in acquainting parents with the reason for school marks at various levels. Our new report cards inform the parent not only of the pupil's relative standing in his class, but also of his success in recitations, his conduct, and his attitude toward his work, his teachers and fellow students. This additional information now given the parent will, we hope, establish a more complete understanding and spirit of co-operation between the home and the school.

In order to improve instruction we have given, during the past year, a series of mental and standard tests. They have already made a lasting contribution by exposing the absurdities of mass instruction. This does not mean that we should return to the tutorial plan, but rather that it points out the necessity of shifting the emphasis to, and focusing the attention upon, the individual child. It means a substitution of the personal for education en masse.

During the past year our science laboratory has been greatly improved. A floor has been laid in the laboratory and the science desks have been so placed as to give more working space for both physics and chemistry and still maintain a classroom with average seating capacity. Many new pieces of physics apparatus have been added to our equipment, which has materially increased the efficiency of this department. By carefully purchasing and caring for new apparatus, we can soon build up a well-equipped science laboratory with a small yearly outlay.

Recent reports from the State Department of Education

show a continued increase in extra curricula activities, both in Senior and Junior High Schools throughout the state. This increase is justifiable, according to Professor Thomas H. Biggs, for two reasons. First, it offers the school its best opportunity to teach pupils to do better the desirable things that they are going to do anyway. Second, it offers a ready channel through which the school may utilize the spontaneous interest and activities of the adolescent, and through these leads to higher types of activities and makes them both desired and possible of attainment. In order to provide for proper supervision of these activities, we have continued our period for activities instituted last year. This is a thirty-minute period each day which provides for club activities in the Junior High School. This also gives an opportunity for assemblies in both Junior and Senior High Schools, as well as a glee club period for the High School and physical training periods for both groups. In the Junior High School, we have club meetings weekly, which take up basketry, dramatics, science, story-telling, and so forth. As in the past years, we find our physical training program cramped, due to the lack of a gymnasium. Our inability to secure the town hall for basket-ball makes it impossible to carry on any athletic program during the winter months. In the spring and fall, however, we have organized a very successful program of physical exercise, including athletic games in which every member of the school participates. Baseball still continues to be our major athletic sport.

One of the important problems of most schools is the upkeep of its buildings. Every summer the most important of these are attended to, but it is never possible, for want of sufficient funds, to accomplish much more than the most pressing work. Among the most important improvements which are needed in our building is the finishing of the side walls in the laboratory and the construction of a floor in the manual training room.

Something should be done also about the toilets. Located as they are in the darkest part of the basement, pupils have little pride in keeping them as immaculate as they should be.

The State Department of Education has encouraged the offering of as many branches of manual work as possible. This is especially true in the Junior High School, where tryout courses for the purpose of guidance are most important. In Hamilton, as in many other communities of similar size, owing to the large expense entailed it has been impossible to offer more than woodworking and elementary printing for the boys, and cooking and sewing for the girls. We might well be looking forward, however, to the establishment of short unit tryout courses in other fields of manual arts. The purpose of these courses is not to make expert tradesmen, but to acquaint the pupil with the qualifications and training, the chances for advancement, the kind of thing expected of them, as well as with the advantages and disadvantages of these various types of employment.

In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation for the generous co-operation of parents and teachers and for your own valuable aid.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM E. COTTLE.

REPORT OF DRAWING SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Drawing.

The drawing course has been continued along the general lines as last year, with an effort to make it of more educational value.

Much of the value of art education in schools lies in the forming of habits of exactness and neatness. The importance to industry of pride in good workmanship, cannot be overlooked. In all our grades we have problems in construction, paper-cutting, folding, and use of ruler-measurements which emphasize this side of art instruction. In the seventh and eighth grades construction work included the making of folders to hold their papers and the making of photograph albums.

An endeavor has been made the past year to keep our room decorations, such as borders and sand-table work, as educational as possible, at the same time adding a great deal of appreciation and stimulation to the project. History and Geography are also closely correlated through the making of booklets, illustrative work and cut-out posters. In the sixth grade a great deal of our drawing has been covered through making and illustrating a Greek and Ancient History notebook.

Several pupils' posters were sent to the annual state-wide contest conducted by the Massachusetts Anti-Tuberculosis League held at Beverly. In addition to this contest, a few pupils entered the poster competition sponsored by the Massachusetts S. P. C. A., and we were pleased to receive the following awards:

Small Medal (2nd)—Mildred Baldwin, Barkley Tree.

Honorable Mention—Annabelle Foss, Donald Greeley.

In closing, I wish to express my appreciation to the superintendent, principal and teachers for their interest and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ABBIE U. CRAGG,

Supervisor of Drawing.

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my annual report as Supervisor of Music.

The regular method of Voice Culture, Sight Reading, and Interpretation has been followed as in previous years.

We are also continuing to emphasize Music Appreciation through all the grades and striving to develop a permanent course. The third case of records has been purchased that we may further the study in this particular subject.

While the child's mind is plastic it should hear the best in music, both vocal and instrumental, and be taught to listen to it intelligently, correlating it with art, physical education, literature and geography, and therefore making it a vital part of his life.

A list of twenty-five selections were carefully chosen for study in the seventh and eighth grades during the year which ended in the Musical Memory Contest. Each child made a scrap-book containing notes on every selection and composer, inserting pictures suitable for each composition. Great interest is shown in this part of the work, which correlates with Art and English.

The Music Memory Contest was held in June, and the results were most gratifying.

The Hamilton Mothers' Club again furnished money for prizes that were awarded to

Howard Boyd

Elizabeth Crowell

Tasea Pappas

Harold MacDonald

Thelma Davis

Mary Donlon

Nancy Knowlton

Muriel Gould

Esther Lee

Sterling Silver Perfect Score Pins were awarded to:

| | |
|-----------------|--------------------|
| Donald Greely | Everett Holland |
| Donald Campbell | Gertrude Alexander |
| Gladys Back | Esther Lee |
| Howard Boyd | Muriel Gould |

A Christmas Musical Play was presented at the East School and proved to be a success.

New music books have been supplied the fourth grade, giving us the Progressive Music Series through the first six grades.

More reference books were purchased for the Junior High and are greatly appreciated by the pupils and teachers.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the superintendent, school committee and teachers for their support and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

MAUDE L. THOMAS,

Supervisor of Music.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

To the Superintendent of Schools,

Dear Sir: I herewith submit my fourth annual report as School Nurse for the town of Hamilton.

PRE-SCHOOL EXAMINATION

Letters were sent to all parents having children entering school in September. The letter informed parents of a Pre-school Clinic to be held at the South School, Hamilton in June. This clinic consisted of a physical examination of all children entering school in September, the doctor in charge being the School Physician, Dr. John G. Corcoran. The parents were urged to have their children attend, that any found with defects might have same corrected during summer months. All parents were instructed to have children vaccinated.

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|---|----|
| No. of children attending clinic | 12 |
| No. of children entering schools | 30 |
| Defects found of the 12 examined: | |
| Tonsils | 2 |
| Teeth | 1 |
| Glands | 7 |
| Not vaccinated | 2 |
| Underweights | 1 |
| Defects taken care of during summer months: | |
| Tonsils—private clinic | 7 |

Vaccination. All children entering school in September being vaccinated, with one or two exceptions where a doctor's certificate was presented.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

A physical examination was given through the grades by Dr. J. G. Corcoran, School Physician, in September.

| | <i>No.</i> <i>examined</i> | <i>Defects</i> | <i>Notices</i> <i>sent</i> | <i>Corrections</i> |
|--------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------------|--|
| Tonsils | 319 | 21 | 21 | 18 by clinic 6 privately 3 X-rayed |
| Glands | 319 | 5 | 5 | 2 operation 3 treatments |
| Heart | 319 | 2 | 2 | |
| Poor Posture | 319 | 28 | | |

DENTAL WORK

Miss Bernadine Conway, Dental Hygienist, examined and cleaned all the teeth of those desiring the same.

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|-------------------------|-----|
| No. examined | 398 |
| No. needing cleaning | 315 |
| No. cleaned | 305 |
| No. needing fillings | 198 |
| No. needing extractions | 61 |

Notices were sent to parents having children needing dental care. We find it very hard to make a complete check-up on dental work, as we have no funds for clinic work, therefore all dental work is cared for privately, except the examining and cleaning.

This year we hope to secure enough Dental Certificates from the State Department of Public Health to give each school child one to present to the family dentist. When the dentist has completed the work necessary he will fill in the dental certificates that the pupil may take it to his or her teacher.

The eyes and ears were tested during the school year. A check-up being made on those found with poor vision and poor hearing. Notices were sent to parents having children with poor vision or defective hearing, suggesting that they consult a physician or oculist as soon as possible. We find defective vision or hearing a serious drawback to any child. Retarded progress in school work is often attributable to defective sight or hearing.

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| No. examined, grades 1-8 | 271 |
| Defective vision | 21 |
| Defective hearing | 4 |

HEALTH PROGRAM

The Health Program consists of general inspection through the grades for cleanliness, talks on safety, posture, value of warm lunches, etc., clerical work, weighing and measuring underweights once a month, home visits for defective causes, such as tonsils, eyes and ears, hospital trips for tonsil cases and X-rays, and simple dressings taken care of at school when injuries happen at school. Follow up work in the homes and in the schools is carried on when there is suspicion of a contagious disease.

POSTURE

Pins were awarded to pupils having the best posture. Those having poor posture are encouraged to correct their careless habits of standing and sitting. Pupils receiving Posture Pins were as follows.

| | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Catherine Mann | Bernard Bookstein |
| Thomas Millerick | Edwin Sanders |
| Bernard Greeley | William Stone |

| | |
|------------------|----------------|
| William Belisle | Amy Dolliver |
| Clayton Kirby | Virginia Gould |
| June King | Louise Moulton |
| Joseph Bookstein | Helen McCarthy |
| Joseph Darcy | Earle Mann |
| Dora Marks | Janice Gould |

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION

This year the School Committee conducted a campaign for the prevention of Diphtheria. Children were immunized only by parents' consent. The immunization was given free of charge by the School Physician, Dr. Corcoran, assisted by the school nurse.

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|---------------------------------------|-----|
| No. of consents received from parents | 214 |
| No. refused | 129 |
| No. of children immunized | 214 |

Three families had already had their children immunized.

The above campaign will be continued this year for those that refused last year and would like to take advantage of the immunization, and for the children entering school for the first time.

CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

January 1928-January 1929

| | |
|----------------|-------------------|
| Chicken Pox 20 | Measles 7 |
| Mumps 7 | Whooping Cough 19 |
| Impetigo 5 | Itch 1 |
| Pemphigus 1 | Scarlet Fever 8 |

MISCELLANEOUS

| | |
|-----------------------|----------------|
| Infantile Paralysis 1 | Appendectomy 1 |
| Pneumonia 1 | Pediculosis 1 |
| Cervical glands 3 | Tonsils 24 |

STATE CLINIC

A general survey was made by the State Department of Public Health, Division of Tuberculosis. This clinic was held in our town last June. All children whose parents consented had a thorough physical examination by Dr. Sacs and Dr. Martin from the State Department. They also gave the children the Tuberculosis Test. All reacting to Von Pirquet Test had their chests X-rayed.

| | |
|--|-----|
| No. examined | 202 |
| No. given test | 202 |
| No. of contact cases | 10 |
| No. reacting to test | 71 |
| No. X-rayed | 69 |
| Classified as suspects | 11 |
| Case found with Hilum Tuberculosis | 1 |
| Found negative | 57 |
| Result of physical examination by State Doctors: | |
| Defects: | |
| Tonsils enlarged and diseased | 29 |
| Teeth needing dental care | 65 |
| Heart condition | 3 |
| Cases of malnutrition | 22 |

Parents were notified of the findings in the above examination and given necessary information on how to care for and correct defects. All children X-rayed and the underweights are being weighed every month. A report of the same is to be sent the State Department in June.

UNDERWEIGHTS

Number of children found 10% or more underweight, 51. These children are encouraged to have more rest, more nourishing food, and in many cases a suggestion is made to have them

see their family physician for an annual examination. Many are also taking cod liver oil as a body builder.

| | |
|----------------------------|-----|
| No. of Home Visits | 243 |
| No. of Clerical Work Hours | 40 |
| No. of Simple Dressings | 163 |

I am hoping this year to make more home visits, with the pleasure of knowing all the parents having children attending our schools. I feel that in so doing I can be of greater personal service to the children enrolled in the schools and therefore of more service to the community.

In closing, I wish to thank the superintendent, teachers and members of the school committee for their support and co-operation in maintaining the health work.

Respectfully submitted,

FLORENCE L. STOBART, R. N.,
School Nurse.

REPORT OF THE INSTRUCTOR OF DOMESTIC ARTS

To the Superintendent of Schools,

My dear Sir: I hereby submit the second annual report of my department.

The plans and aims of the work are much the same as they were last year.

The girls are doing better work and seem more interested. The attitude and work in the advanced cooking and sewing classes is particularly gratifying. On the whole they are the best high school classes I have had since I have been teaching.

During the year we have added a cretonne covering for the bed and a screen. We are making draperies for the room.

There are several articles we really need to make our work more effective. Another oil stove is a real necessity. Table linen and silver would help a great deal in making the serving of meals more attractive. Our duty is not only to make our work coincide with home conditions, but to a certain extent to set an example that may help to raise the standards of living.

In closing, I wish to thank you, Mr. Whittier, and Mr. Cottle for the cordial support you are giving me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION F. WHITNEY.

REPORT OF THE INSTRUCTOR IN MANUAL ARTS

To the Superintendent of Schools,

I hereby submit for your approval my third annual report of the work in the Industrial Arts Department.

In the woodworking classes I have tried as far as possible to get away from the prescribed course plan and give the boys a certain amount of freedom in choosing the project on which they are to work. This, as may be expected, is not possible in the beginners stage to as great an extent as is the case with more advanced students.

I should like to call your attention to the attitude of the boys in regard to paying for their finished projects. Most of the boys feel that they should not be charged for the waste lumber resulting from having to do work over. If the parents would use their influence to impress upon the pupils that they are very fortunate to have this department in their school and also that the expense of maintaining this department makes the present charges necessary, the attitude of the boys would change very much for the better, because perhaps then they would understand the reason for the charges they now pay.

In the printing classes all of the students have completed at least one job. The work is perhaps slower this year, but I feel that it is much more thorough.

I thank you very much for your helpful attitude toward this department.

Respectfully submitted,

AFTON F. BEZANSON.

HAMILTON HIGH SCHOOL

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

TOWN HALL

Wednesday Evening, June Twenty-seventh, 1928

AT EIGHT O'CLOCK

PROGRAM

March

InvocationREV. W. F. A. STRIDE

Falling Shadows *Gardner*

SCHOOL CHORUS

Commencement AddressREV. GARFIELD MORGAN

I Love a Little Cottage*Solman-O'Hara*

SCHOOL CHORUS

Presentation of Class GiftDORIS HONEYSETT

Awarding of Diplomas ROBERT ROBERTSON, JR.

Parting Song

JUNIOR CLASS

BenedictionREV. W. F. A. STRIDE

MARCH

CLASS ROLL

Caroline M. Alexander

William E. Allen

Mildred E. Baldwin

*Mary Elizabeth Corcoran

Eunice Evelyn Dodge

Margaret Rita Donlon

*Evelyn Grant

Helen W. Haraden

*Dorothy A. Hatt

Doris G. Honeysett

*Kathryn L. Lamson

Rena E. MacEwen

*Jennie Barbara Maione

Alma A. Mitchell

*Mary Estelle Peterson

Robert Robertson, 3rd

*Oona Ryan

Anna Thompson

* Honor Pupils

CLASS MOTTO

To the Stars

CLASS FLOWER

Tea Rose

CLASS COLORS

Green and Gold

HONOR LIST

The following pupils received no rank below A and B for the entire school year 1927-1928:

JUNIOR HIGH

| | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| Lois Campbell | Elizabeth Crowell |
| Muriel Gould | Everett Holland |
| Nancy Knowlton | Esther Lee |
| Orrin Lee | Harold McDonald |
| Catherine McGarry | George Perkins |
| Virginia Powers | Mary Walsh |

SENIOR HIGH

| | |
|--------------------|------------------|
| Sarah Ayers | Thelma Bailey |
| Anna Barron | Mary Corcoran |
| Beatrice Edmondson | Evelyn Grant |
| Dorothy Hatt | Helen Haraden |
| Barbara Hobbs | Kathryn Lamson |
| Jennie Maione | Estelle Melanson |
| Mary Peterson | Wilhemenia Ready |
| Robert Robertson | Oona Ryan |

ATTENDANCE

The following pupils were perfect in attendance at school during the school year 1927-1928:

ADELAIDE DODGE WALSH SCHOOL

Isabelle Dunn

Harold Knowlton

SOUTH SCHOOL

| | |
|---|-----------------|
| George Dodge | Walter McGrath |
| William Koloski | Ruth Day |
| Blanche Davis | Barbara Ham |
| Verna Davis | Irene Tree |
| Catherine Farrell | William Poole |
| Louis Doucette | Joseph Morphew |
| Gladys Back | Harold McDonald |
| Robert Haskell (omitted by error, 1927) | |

PENMANSHIP

The following pupils received certificates for improvement in Penmanship during the school year 1927-1928.

ADELAIDE DODGE WALSH SCHOOL

| | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|
| Elizabeth Cameron | Wallace Knowlton, Jr. |
| Georgina Cracknell | George Manthorn |

SOUTH SCHOOL

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Ralph Hursty | Mary Perkins |
| Louise Moulton | Dorothy Fletcher |
| Mary Bancroft | Nellie Emeny |
| Dorothy Greeley | Rita Walsh |
| Elizabeth Ross | Eleanor Barker |
| Everett Holland | Esther Lee |
| Flora Dodge | Lois Campbell |

HOME READING WITH SCHOOL CREDIT

Public Library and Public Schools Co-operating

The following pupils received Reading Certificates for having read ten or more books from the approved list:

Grade 3

***Grace Marks
*Roy Varnum
*Robert Farrell
*Elizabeth Feener
***Clifton Fenton
**Ruth Day
***Louis Pappas
Helen Fuller

***Amy Dolliver
***Leonard Varnum
Mary Sargent
**Ralph Hursty
**Neil Moynihan
Everett Feener
*Victoria DeLuca
*Blanche Davis

Grade 4

*****Barbara Ham
***Dorothy Fletcher
***Ellen Donlon
*****Lillian Emeny
*Dorothy Vennard
William Stone
*****William Carter
*Virginia Gould
*Everett Mitchell

Louise Moulton
Anne Whittier
**Dorothy Alexander
***Arthur McGlauffin
*****Benjamin Robertson
*****Walter Fowler
Madeline Carter
*Tony Maione
***Albert Lougee

Grade 5

***Edwina Alexander
*Ralph Tuck
Clayton Kirby

Irene Tree
William Russell
*William King

| | |
|----------------------|----------------------|
| Thelma Mann | ****Alice Stone |
| *Annie Maione | *Laura Bailey |
| ****Alfred McRae | Cornelia MacGregor |
| Harriet Cushman | ***Madeline Campbell |
| *****William Delisle | *****Helen McCarthy |
| *****Mary Bancroft | *****Nellie Emeny |
| **Bradley Dolliver | **James Darcy |
| *Eileen Armstrong | Jeanne Hipson |
| **Robert Smith | Richard Greeley |
| Vincent Larkin | John Dunn |
| Richard Peale | |

Grade 6

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| *John Adams | ***Edward Carter |
| Janice Gould | Kenneth McRae |
| William Stevens | Milton Sanford |
| Helen Tuck | *Elizabeth Tuttle |
| Dorothy Greeley | June King |

Grade 7

Tasea Pappas

Grade 8

| | |
|------------|---------------|
| Esther Lee | **Howard Boyd |
|------------|---------------|

ADELAIDE DODGE WALSH SCHOOL

Primary Room

| | |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| *Isabelle Dunn | ***Elizabeth Cameron |
| Melvin Como | **June Doyle |
| *Joseph McDonald | ***Hazel Manthorn |
| ***Gordon Thompson | |

Intermediate Room

| | |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| **Harold Knowlton | *****Wallace Knowlton, Jr. |
| Georgina Cracknell | George Manthorn |
| *****Patrick Keough | ***Gertrude Sprague |
| **George McDonald | *****Robert Hiller |
| ***Roger Barron | Raymond Barker |
| *****Margaret Sargeant | ***Earl Faulkner |
| ***George Dunn | ***William McDonald |
| Gladys Manthorn | **Howard Burnham |
| **Richard Cameron | Dorothy Whipple |
| **Edna Sprogue | ****Katherine Cracknell |
| *Gardner Wright | |

A star is given for each five additional books read over the ten needed to secure the certificate.

SPELLING

The following pupils represented their grade in the Town Spelling Contest held in April, 1928:

SOUTH SCHOOL

| | |
|------------|-----------------|
| Grade III | Ruth Day |
| Grade IV | Anne Whittier |
| Grade V | Helen McCarthy |
| Grade VI | Dorothy Greeley |
| Grade VII | Mary Walsh (2)* |
| Grade VIII | Harold McDonald |

A. D. WALSH SCHOOL

| | |
|-----------|----------------------|
| Grade III | Isabelle Dunn |
| Grade IV | Patrick Keough |
| Grade V | Margaret Sargeant |
| Grade VI | Dorothy Whipple (1)* |

* Winners of town to represent town at Union Contest.

(1)—(2) Order of winning.

SCHOOL CENSUS

As of October, 1928

| | <i>Boys</i> | <i>Girls</i> |
|--|-------------|--------------|
| Number between five and seven years of age | 38 | 33 |
| Number between seven and fourteen years of age | 127 | 126 |
| Number between fourteen and sixteen years of age | 27 | 33 |
| | <hr/> | <hr/> |
| Totals | 192 | 192 |
| Total Census | | 384 |

SCHOOL SAVINGS

SALEM SAVINGS BANK

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|----------|----------|
| Balance, January 1, 1928 | \$520 03 | |
| Deposits during 1928 | 444 26 | |
| Total | <hr/> | \$964 29 |
| Withdrawals and Transfers 1928 | | 476 53 |
| | | <hr/> |
| Balance, January 1, 1929 | | \$487 76 |
| Number of Depositors, January 1, 1929 | | 233 |

MEMBERSHIP BY AGES AND GRADE, OCTOBER 1, 1927.

| Grade | A G E S | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Totals | % Re- tarded |
|------------------------|---------|----|----|----|---|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|---|---|---|---|--------|-----------------|
| | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | | | | | | |
| 1 | 32 | 11 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 45 | 0 |
| 2 | 21 | 11 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 35 | 2 |
| 3 | 25 | 11 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 39 | 0 |
| 4 | 3 | 15 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 35 | 8 |
| 5 | 6 | 21 | 19 | 7 | 4 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 60 | 11 |
| 6 | 2 | 15 | 12 | 4 | 1 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 35 | 5 |
| 7 | 1 | 5 | 15 | 11 | 5 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | 41 | 9 |
| 8 | | 14 | 15 | 5 | 4 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 38 | 10 |
| 9 | 1 | 13 | 10 | 5 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 31 | 6 |
| 10 | | 2 | 8 | 10 | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 22 | 9 |
| 11 | | 1 | 4 | 10 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | 0 |
| 12 | | 3 | 7 | 9 | 3 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 22 | 0 |
| Total in Grades 1 - 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 249 | 5 |
| Total in Grades 7 - 12 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 170 | 7 |
| Total in Grades 1 - 12 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 419 | 5 |

TEACHERS AND COURSES PURSUED IN 1928

| <i>Teacher</i> | <i>School</i> | <i>Course</i> |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------------|
| William E. Cottle | Harvard | Methods of Teaching |
| Bernice Hayward | Univ. Exten. | Problems in Education |
| | | Advanced French Composition |
| Bessie F. McRae, Zanerian College | Corres. | Business Writing |
| Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer | | |
| | Univ. Exten. | Appreciation of Symphonies |
| Sybil G. Bean | Boston Univ. | Problems of the Teacher |
| | | Junior High |
| Afton Bezanson | Boston Univ. | Physical Education |
| Edith L. Fletcher | | |
| | Boston Univ. Exten. | Teaching of Arithmetic |
| | | in Elementary Grades |
| Margaret Batchelder | | |
| | Boston Univ. Exten. | Teaching of Arithmetic |
| | | in Elementary Grades |
| Marion C. Joseph | | |
| | Boston Univ. Exten. | Teaching of Arithmetic |
| | | in Elementary Grades |
| Ellen Duffy, Boston Univ. | Exten. | Reading in Elem. Grades |
| Mabel G. Gove | | |
| | Boston Univ. Exten. | Reading in Elem. Grades |

HAMILTON TEACHERS' DIRECTORY, JANUARY, 1929

| NAME | SCHOOL | Subject or Grade | Salary | Appoint- ment | Education Last School Attended |
|--------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|--------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| William E. Cottle..... | High, Principal | Science and Math... | \$2950 | 1926 | Harvard University |
| Bessie F. McRae..... | High, Assistant | Commercial | 1350 | 1925 | Salem Normal |
| Mary E. Burns..... | High, Assistant | Commercial | 1150 | 1927 | Salem Normal |
| Mrs. Laura W. Boyd..... | High, Assistant | English and History... | 1700 | 1925 | Emerson College |
| Bernice L. Hayward... | High, Assistant | French and Latin... | 1400 | 1925 | Boston University |
| Mrs. Hazel E. Ramer.. | Junior High Asst. | Science & Geog..... | 1600 | 1921 | Salem Normal |
| Sybil G. Bean..... | Junior High Asst. | Liter. and History.. | 1400 | 1927 | Boston University |
| Carolyn Wymann..... | Junior High Asst. | English and Arith... | 1450 | 1925 | Gorham Normal |
| Doris E. Woodsum | South | Grade 6 | 1250 | 1927 | Keene Normal |
| Margaret K. Batchelder | South | Grade 5 | 1250 | 1920 | Salem Normal |
| Marian C. Joseph | South | Grade 4 | 1250 | 1921 | Salem Normal |
| Edith L. Fletcher | South | Grade 3 | 1450 | 1906 | Salem Normal |
| Mrs. Marion S. Batchelder..... | South | Grade 2 | 1350 | 1926 | Hyanis Summer |
| Nelly G. Cutting' | South | Grade 1 | 1500 | 1915 | Salem Normal |
| Afton F. Bezanson | South | Manual Arts | 1164 | 1926 | Marblehead High |
| Marion F. Whitney | South | Domestic Arts | 1400 | 1927 | Farmington Normal |
| Ellen Duffy | A. D. Walsh | Grades 4-6 | 1200 | 1927 | Gorham Normal |
| Mabel Gove | A. D. Walsh | Grades 1-3 | 1200 | 1927 | Perry Kindergarten |
| Abbie U. Cragg | All | Drawing | 310 | 1925 | Salem Normal |
| Mauda L. Thomas | All | Music | 350 | 1923 | Boston University |
| Florence L. Stobart | All | Nurse | 745 | 1925 | Beverly Hospital |

SCHOOL CALENDAR, YEAR 1929-1930

1929

| | |
|-------------------|---------------|
| January 2 | Schools open |
| February 15 | Schools close |
| February 25 | Schools open |
| April 12 | Schools close |
| April 22 | Schools open |
| May 30 | Holiday |
| June 20 | Schools close |

Summer Vacation

| | |
|-------------------|-----------------------|
| September 4 | Schools open |
| November 11 | Holiday |
| November 27 | Schools close at noon |
| December 2 | Schools open |
| December 20 | Schools close |

1930

| | |
|-------------------|---------------|
| January 6 | Schools open |
| February 21 | Schools close |
| March 3 | Schools open |
| April 18 | Schools close |
| April 28 | Schools open |
| May 30 | Holiday |
| June 19 | Schools close |

